

**Clark College Jazz Festival**  
**RULES/REGULATIONS**  
*VOCAL JAZZ*

1. **ELIGIBILITY**

- 1.1. The festival is open to all high school vocal jazz ensembles of this region.
- 1.2. All ensemble members must represent a high school and be actively enrolled in the school represented at the time of competition.
- 1.3. Vocal jazz ensembles should not exceed 21 ensemble members.
- 1.4. Ensembles must be under the supervision of a qualified public or private school teacher.
  - 1.4.1. A faculty member must be responsible for the ensemble throughout the festival.
  - 1.4.2. An assistant or student may front the group.

2. **REGISTRATION**

- 2.1. Applications must be accompanied with a completed personnel list – **please limit chaperones to only four per jazz ensemble including the director.**
- 2.2. Upon arrival at the Clark College campus, groups should immediately register at the registration desk in Gaiser Hall and receive festival credentials and information.
  - 2.2.1. Ensemble members, chaperones and directors must have a wristband to gain admittance into the festival.

3. **PERFORMANCE – Vocal Jazz Ensembles will compete on Thursday afternoon**

3.1. **GROUPS WILL HAVE 20 MINUTES TO PERFORM, INCLUDING SET-UP AND TEAR-DOWN.**

- 3.1.1. The 20 minutes begin when the first member of your choir enters the stage.
- 3.1.2. Rhythm sections should be back stage 40 minutes before your scheduled performance time.
- 3.1.3. Clark College will furnish an acoustic piano, drum-set, bass amp, guitar amp, vibes, and music stands on stage.
- 3.2. Schools that apply early have a better chance of getting desired time slots.
- 3.3. Under no circumstances are stage microphones to be moved or tampered with.
  - 3.3.1. You will be provided a sound set-up form to inform the audio technician of your audio needs; make sure to turn this in to your runner with your other staging forms to ensure your needs are met.

4. **CLINICS**

- 4.1. Following each choir's performance, they will receive a 15 minute clinic with a rotating adjudicator.

5. **EVENING VOCAL JAZZ SHOWCASE**

- 5.1. Three vocal jazz ensembles will be selected by the adjudicators and invited back to perform Thursday evening beginning at 7:00 p.m.
- 5.2. Each ensemble may perform up to 20 minutes of music of their choice.
- 5.3. Each ensemble will receive a commemorative plaque to honor the occasion.