

Portland State University Honor Band Information 2025

Portland State University Bands cordially announces a High School Honor Band event scheduled for December 5th and 6th, 2025. Clinicians [Dr. Robert Ambrose](#) and [Dr. Edward Protzman](#) will conduct the honor ensemble.

Dr. Robert J. Ambrose enjoys a highly successful and diverse career as a dynamic and engaging musician. His musical interests cross many genres and can be seen in the wide range of professional activities he pursues. Dr. Ambrose studied formally at Boston College, Boston University and Northwestern University, where he received the Doctor of Music degree in conducting. Dr. Ambrose currently serves as Director of Bands and Professor of Music at Georgia State University, a research institution of over 53,000 students located in Atlanta.

Selection into the ensemble is contingent upon recommendation by the student's respective directors. Participation entails a tuition fee of \$135.00, which includes an honor band t-shirt along with lunch and dinner on the Saturday of the event. Directors are encouraged to nominate students they believe will benefit from this musical opportunity. Director recommendations can be made using this [link](#).

Concluding the event, an honor band concert shared with the Portland State University Wind Ensemble is slated for Saturday, December 6, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. We invite friends and family members to join us for an evening of extraordinary performances.

Concert Information

Concert Date and Time: Honor Band Concert, 7:00 p.m. Saturday, December 7

Concert Location: PSU Lincoln Hall

Concert Attire: black pants/skirt and PSU Honor Band T-shirt

Tickets: A ticket link will be sent out as part of acceptance emails in November

Tuition

The \$135.00 per student tuition can be paid by individual participants or by the sponsoring high school. Checks for tuition should be made out to the Portland State University Department of Music and Theater. Please include the student's name in the memo area for individual checks. School or booster checks do not need to include student names. Students or directors can mail payment to:

Ed Protzman
School of Music & Theater
Portland State University
1620 SW Park Ave, Ste 231
Portland, OR 97201

Honor Band Registration Schedule

Director Recommendations Due October 10, 2025

Students accepted will be notified via email by October 20, 2025

Student Tuition Payments Due, November 24, 2025

Honor Band Event Schedule

Friday, 12.5	
5:30 PM	Honor Band Rehearsal in the PSU Band Room
9:00 PM	Honor Band Rehearsal Ends
	(Housing is not provided)
Saturday 12.6	
8:00 AM	Honor Band Rehearsal at PSU
12:00 PM	Lunch (Provided)
12:45 PM	Honor Band Rehearsal
4:30 PM	Dinner (Provided) and change
6:00 PM	Meet for Performance
7:00 PM	PSU Wind Ensemble Performs
7:45 PM	PSU Honor Band Performs
8:30 PM	Concert Event Ends