For my smart watch design, simplicity with moderate customizability is the goal. I personally wear an LG Watch Sport running Android Wear, and took much inspiration from the Watch’s circular and concise design.

As per my previous design explanations, I will discuss this design from the top down. Before I dive in, however, I would like to preface that this design is meant to be highly customizable. I will be explaining which types of apps and icons go where, but the overall layout of the design would be subject to the user’s own preferences.

The top half (above the time) is the primary information hub. To the left is the messages, where the user can quickly access their SMS messages view as needed. To the right is the weather icon, with both an icon and temperature to reflect current weather conditions. To the right of the weather is the calendar icon. Similar to the messaging app, it allows the user quick access to their calendar view while showing a snapshot on the home screen of what the user has coming up next (in this case, CS 484).

Up next is the main event: time and date. Time is large and clear, as this is the most important aspect of a watch. Today’s date is organized nicely underneath time for easy access as well.

Underneath (bottom half) is the primary app hub. This area is primarily for custom app layouts. I only placed four apps in this area, but the user can store as many as 10 here if they wish. Apps I find of great use on my watch are Fit for when I go on a run or lift, Spotify for all my jams, Jimmy John’s order button for quick and easy delivery, and Uber for those nights getting home by yourself isn’t the best or safest idea.

When running my design in Processing, the weather icon and its associated enlarged view are fully functional. Go ahead and press the weather icon if you are running my code to see for yourself!

You will notice that the weather view is similar to others, but with a fun twist. Along with an enlarged weather icon and temperature, I decided to use a fun method of telling the user what the weather is like: in this case, “IT GON’ RAIN.” I drew much inspiration for this “feature” from the app “Effing Weather” (WARNING: adult language, if you wanted to check it out).

Once done with the weather view, go ahead and click “Back” to return to the home screen.

Last, but not least, is the battery life indicator. You may notice a large, blue circle that encompasses the home screen. As indicated by the smaller battery symbol at the beginning and end of that circle, this is the battery life indicator. As the battery depletes, the blue is replaced by a growing red to resemble loss in battery life.

Overall, my design maintains the simple look of its inspiration in the LG Watch Sport, but with an extra dose of customizability and a more user-friendly wearable experience.