

DELTAHACKS XI

Attendee Information Package

January 11th-12th, 2025
McMaster University



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WELCOME TO DeltaHacks XI

Congratulations Hackers! We are thrilled to have you join us for DeltaHacks XI, an annual hackathon at McMaster University, where creativity meets technology, and innovation knows no bounds!

To make your experience at DeltaHacks XI go as smoothly as possible, we've created this information package to guide you through the event. In this package, you'll find details on how to be fully prepared for DeltaHacks XI!

Throughout the weekend, we'll be hosting events such as the fire noodle challenge, karaoke, and a video game tournament, to help you take breaks from your lengthy coding sessions. We also have various workshops such as a to learn new skills, and social events to meet new like-minded people!

We wish you an unforgettable and fulfilling hacking experience! May your lines of code be bug-free, your ideas groundbreaking, and your passion for innovation shine bright! If you need help, please don't hesitate to talk to anyone on the DeltaHacks team. You can also reach out to us on Discord or at relations@deltahacks.com.

Happy coding! - DeltaHacks Team

Social Media

Follow us on our social media channels:

Instagram: <https://instagram.com/deltahacks>

Facebook: <https://facebook.com/thedeltahacks>

X: <https://x.com/deltahacks>

LinkedIn: <https://linkedin.com/company/deltahacks>

TikTok: [@deltahacks](https://www.tiktok.com/@deltahacks)



CONTACT INFO



McMaster Emergency Services:

Through a university landline phone: **88**

Through any other phone: **(905) 522-4135 or (905) 525-9140 ext 24281**

DeltaHacks Organizing Team



Our friendly organizing team will be roaming the venue and always be prepared to help! They will be wearing a purple hoodie with the DeltaHacks logo, making it easier for you to spot them in a crowd! You can also reach out to us via our email or on our dedicated Discord channel.

#?-ask-organizers on Discord

Email: relations@deltahacks.com



DeltaHacks Volunteers

We will also have many volunteers help us run our event - they'll be more than willing to give you directions, run various activities, and much much more! You can find them wearing a dark purple shirt all around our venue.



Information Table

Members of the DeltaHacks team will be at the information table **located by the tall spiral staircase** (same place where you registered!) at all times to assist you. The lost and found and the hardware sign-outs can be found here. Come and visit us for any questions, or if you just want to chat!

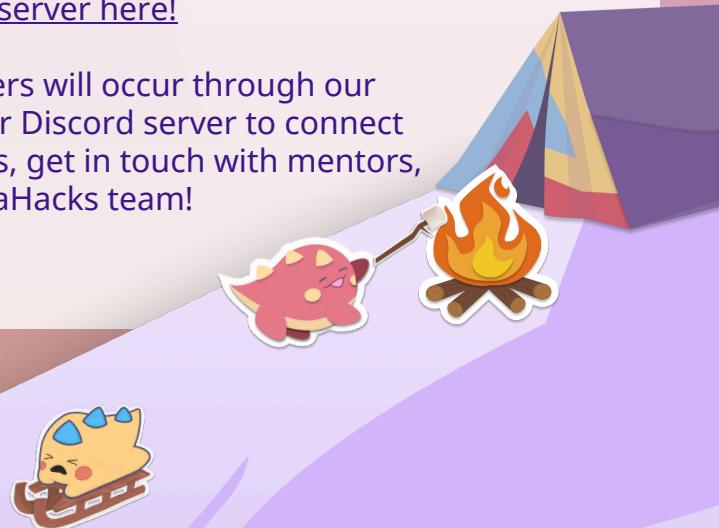


Attendee Discord Server

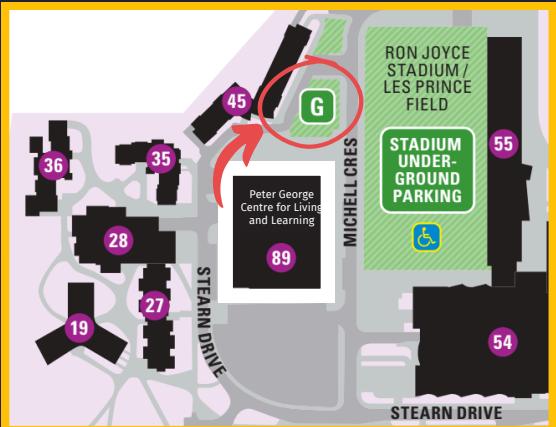


[Join the DeltaHacks XI Discord server here!](#)

All communications with Hackers will occur through our Discord server. You can use our Discord server to connect with other hackers, form teams, get in touch with mentors, and get updates from the DeltaHacks team!



SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS



Fire Drills

A fire drill will occur at 9 AM on Saturday, January 11th in PGCLL.

ALL HACKERS must promptly leave the building and follow our Fire Wardens (who will be wearing orange safety vests) to the nearest emergency exit. Our Fire Wardens will indicate when the fire drill is over and hackers can re-enter the building.

Sleep

- Over the weekend, we will be opening designated sleeping rooms. **PGCLL M16, M24, and M25** will be all-gender sleeping rooms, while **PGCLL M22** will be a designated female-only sleeping room.
- If you plan on sleeping over during the event, we will have some sleeping bags available. However, the numbers will be very limited, so please come prepared as if sleeping bags won't be available.
- We ask that hackers do not sleep in other areas to comply with safety regulations. Hackers will be asked to leave the event if they are found sleeping outside of PGCLL, such as in residence lounge areas, student center lobby, etc.

Emergency

- If an emergency occurs, contact the nearest DeltaHacks team member, who will be more than willing to help you.
- If you cannot find any of our team members, please contact the McMaster emergency phone number at **(905) 522-4135**, or **88** on a campus phone.
- We recommend that the **MUSST App** is installed to get notified of any emergency events happening on campus.
- Violence, verbal or physical harassment will NOT be tolerated. If any of these has impacted you, please reach out to the nearest DeltaHacks team member, and appropriate action will be taken.

Hygiene

- DeltaHacks can be long and tiring, so everyone must keep clean for everyone's health. Please follow the following guidelines:
 - Come prepared to make sure your odour doesn't disturb others
 - Wash your hands after using the washroom
 - Wash your hands before and after eating food

Entrances and Exits

- There will be arrows pointing to exits, and signs on each entrance/exit door to indicate the correct direction.

REGISTRATION

1.

Registration will be from **8:00 AM to 10:00 AM** on **Saturday, January 11th** in PGCLL, by the tall spiral staircase.

2.

To register as a hacker for DeltaHacks XI, you will need your **student ID or government-issued ID** and the **completed registration form**.

3.

Upon registering at the front desk, we will hand you your swag and you will head down to the **Opening Ceremony at PGCLL B138**.

LATE REGISTRATION

If you know you will be late for registration at DeltaHacks XI, please contact us at relations@deltahacks.com. If you don't give us notice before **9 PM on Friday, January 10th**, we may not be able to guarantee you a spot even if you have been accepted to participate.



WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

What to Bring:

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Laptop | <input type="checkbox"/> Comfy clothes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Charger | <input type="checkbox"/> Pillow/Sleeping Bag |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Headphones | <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping mask |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Valid Photo ID (student ID, government-issued ID) | <input type="checkbox"/> Required Personal Medication |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toiletries(toothbrush, towel, deodorant) | <input type="checkbox"/> Any materials or hardware you wish to use in your project |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reusable water bottle | <input type="checkbox"/> Extra space for swag  |

Teams

Each team may consist of up to 4 hackers. Teams can be formed beforehand, or at DeltaHacks. If you need help finding a group, stick around after the Opening Ceremony in **PGCLL B138** from 11:00 AM to 11:30 AM for a Group Formation event.

Meals

All meals will be served in **PGCLL 127**. If you have any dietary restrictions, please let DeltaHacks team members in the food room know, and they will guide you to the alternative meals section. **PGCLL 127** will be OFF-LIMITS for hacking, as the room will be dedicated to eating.

Please do NOT eat outside this room, so we can contain the mess in one room. Please dispose of **ALL** garbage in the many garbage bins throughout **PGCLL 127**.

All liquids should be thrown away in the **washrooms** before you throw out the container. This helps us reduce any mess that may be created.



Snacks

Snacks will be provided in the same room as the meals, in **PGCLL 127**. Various snacks, coffee, and other drinks will be provided in this room. The snacks and drinks will be refilled regularly.



Hardware

We will have various hardware available for all hackers to sign out! They will be available at the **Information Desk**, beside the tall spiral staircase. To check out the hardware, you must trade your student ID or government-issued ID for your desired hardware.



Workshops & Events

All workshops and events will be held in person in **PGCLL** throughout the hackathon. Check our website for the full workshop and event schedules!



Mentors

We will have a dedicated mentor room in **PGCLL B131**. Mentors will also walk around the venue to help you with any questions as they arise. We also have a dedicated channel on our Discord server for you to ask any questions to the mentors.

Please do **NOT** enter the mentors' break room in **PGCLL M22**. This room is for them to be set up to help you, **NOT** for you to come in and ask for help.



Transportation

Unfortunately, we will not provide any travel or travel reimbursements for DeltaHacks XI.

If you plan on driving to DeltaHacks XI, the closest parking lots to PGCLL are parking lots E and G. The parking rates at these lots are \$8 per day. Please note that you'll be charged **\$8 each time** you enter the lot.

SCHEDULE

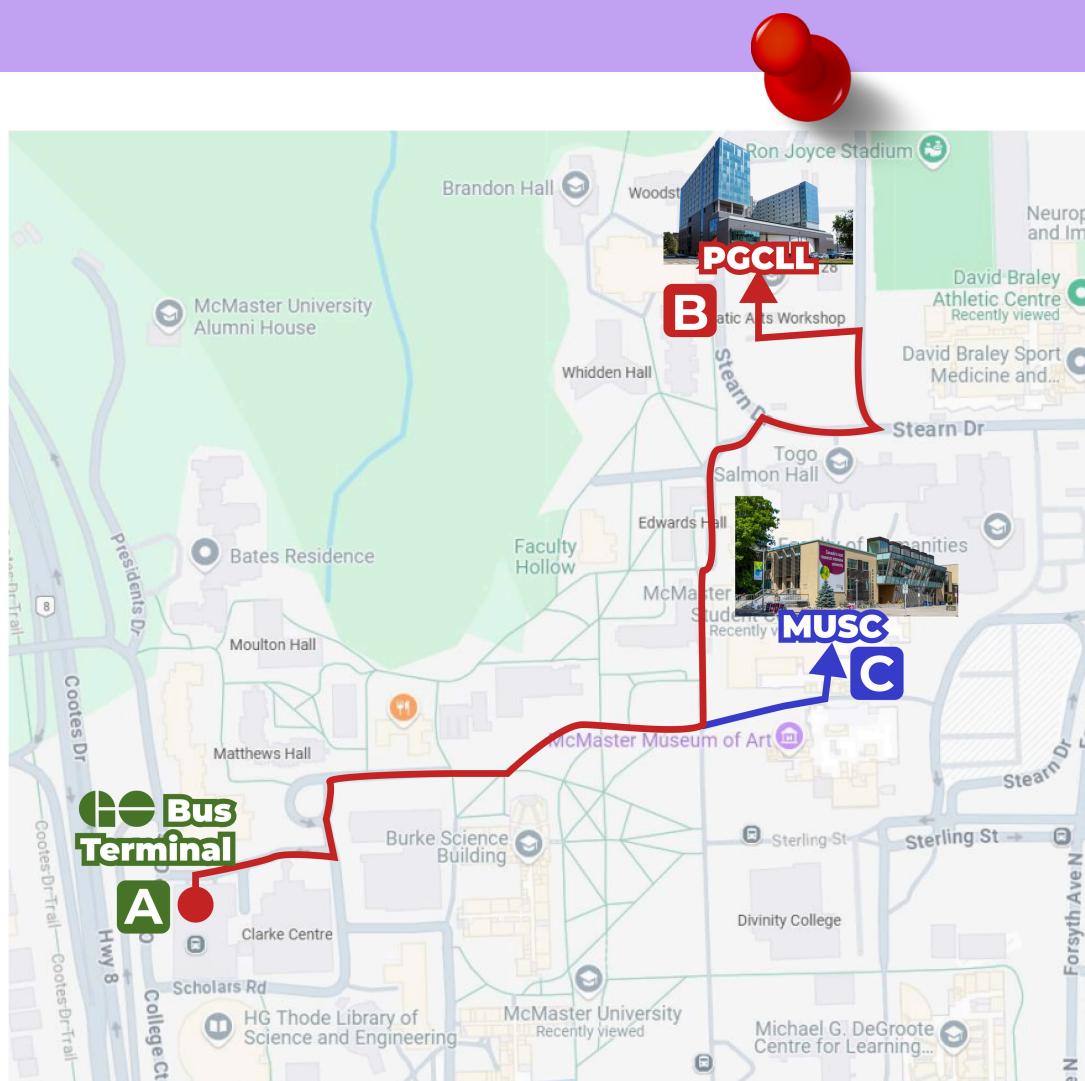


Full schedule available at:
<https://portal.deltahacks.com/schedule>

| | | Fri 10 | Sat 11 | Sun 12 |
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| All day | Meme Contest Event | | | |
| 12:00 AM | | MEL Video Game Tournament Event 21:00 - 01:00, Online | Late Night Games Event 23:00 - 02:00, PGCLL M21 | Sleeping Rooms Open Impo... 22:00 - 10:00, PGCLL M16, M22, M24, M25 |
| 2:00 AM | | | | |
| 4:00 AM | | | | |
| 6:00 AM | | | | |
| 8:00 AM | | Registration Important 06:00 - 10:00, PGCLL, 1st Floor Lobby | Breakfast Food 08:00 - 09:30, PGCLL 127 | |
| 10:00 AM | | Opening Ceremonies Important 10:00 - 11:00, PGCLL B138 | | |
| 12:00 PM | | Group Formation Event 11:30 - 12:30, PGCLL 124 | Hacking Starts Deadline 11:30 - 12:30, PGCLL M21 | Lunch Food 11:00 - 12:30, PGCLL 127 |
| | | Lunch Food 12:30 - 14:00, PGCLL 127 | Apple Swift Challen... 11:30 - 12:30, PGCLL M16 | Meme Contest Ends ... 12:00 - 15:30, PGCLL M21 |
| 2:00 PM | | | Tanmay Bakshi Works... 13:30 - 14:30, PGCLL M16 | Intro to Cohere Wor... 13:30 - 14:30, PGCLL 124 |
| 4:00 PM | | Resume Roast Workshop Workshop Sponsor Showcase ... 15:00 - 17:00, PGCLL Basement | Github Co-Pilot (MLH... 16:00 - 17:00, PGCLL 124 | Rest API Workshop 16:00 - 17:00, PGCLL M16 |
| 6:00 PM | | React Workshop Workshop 17:00 - 18:00, PGCLL M16 | NSBE (P&G) Event Workshop 17:00 - 18:00, PGCLL 124 | Final Presentations Important 15:30 - 16:30, PGCLL B138 |
| 8:00 PM | Online Team Matching Event 19:00 - 20:30, Online | Fire Noodle Ch... 18:00 - 19:00, PGCLL M16 | Photo Booth - ... 18:00 - 20:00, PGCLL Basement | Closing Ceremonies Important 17:00 - 18:00, PGCLL B138 |
| 10:00 PM | MEL Video Game Tournament Event 21:00 - 01:00, Online | Beyond Techni... 19:00 - 20:00, PGCLL M22 | Coffee Chats w... 19:00 - 20:00, PGCLL M22 | Dinner Food 19:30 - 21:00, PGCLL 127 |
| | | Karaoke Event 22:00 - 23:00, PGCLL M21 | MDL Workshop Workshop 21:00 - 22:00, PGCLL M16 | Sleeping Rooms Open Impo... 22:00 - 10:00, PGCLL M16, M22, M24, M25 |
| | | Late Night Games Event 23:00 - 02:00, PGCLL M21 | | |

CAMPUS MAP

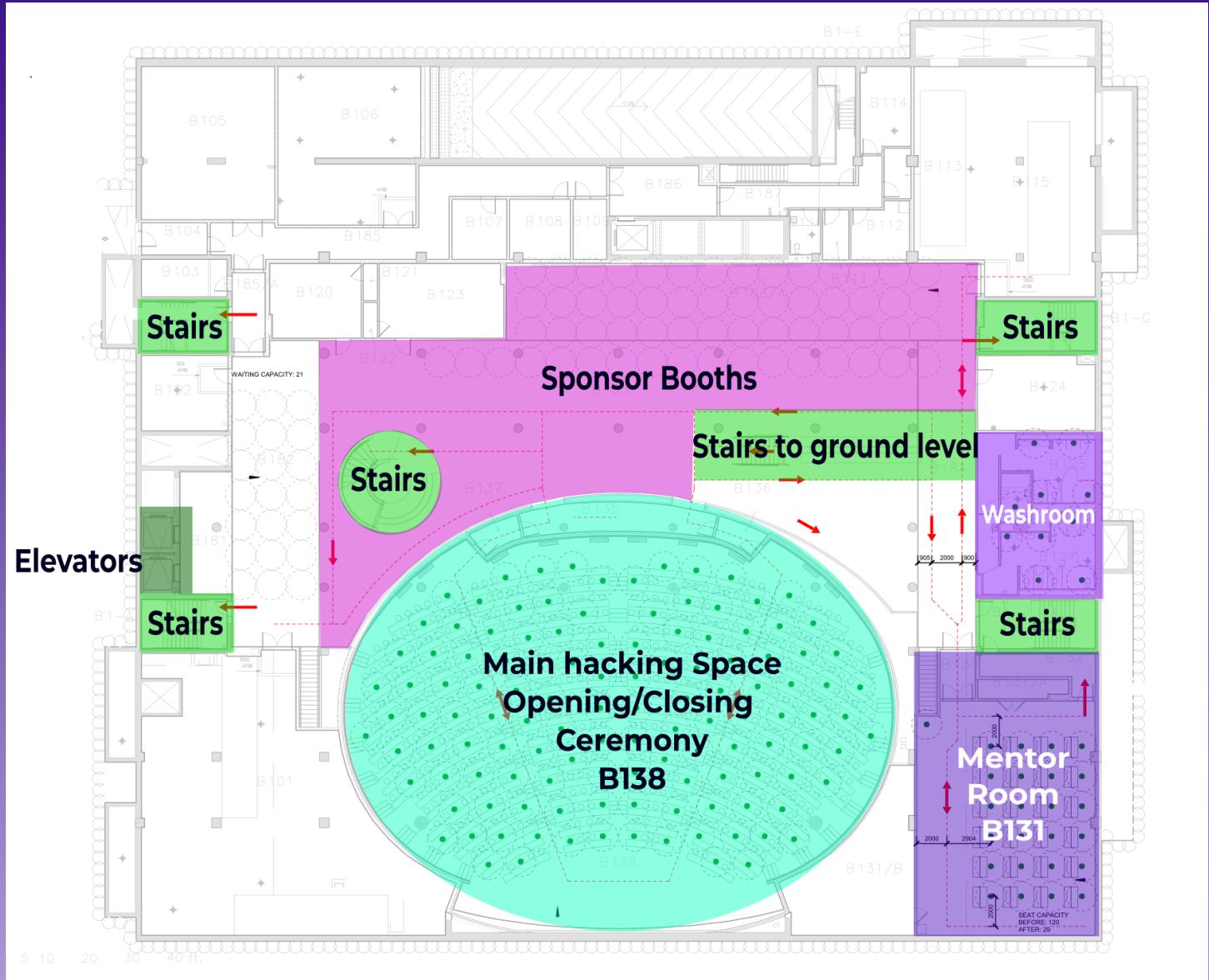
Find the online copy [here](#) and
google maps link [here](#)



LEGEND

- A McMaster University Bus Terminal
- B Peter George Centre for Living and Learning
- C McMaster University Student Centre

PGCLL MAP BASEMENT

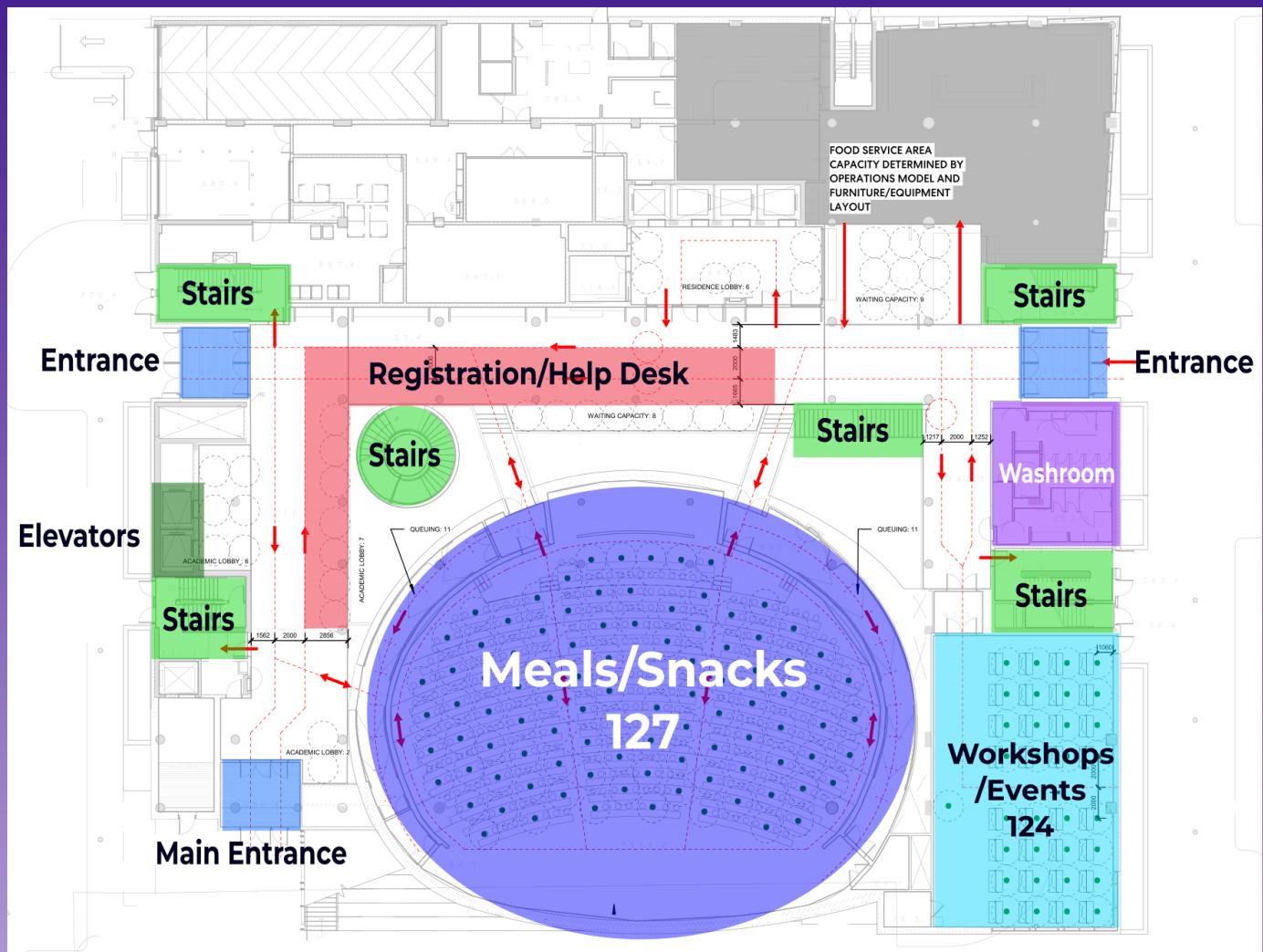


Opening + closing ceremony will be taking place in **B138**.

Room B131 is reserved for mentors and hackers to use.



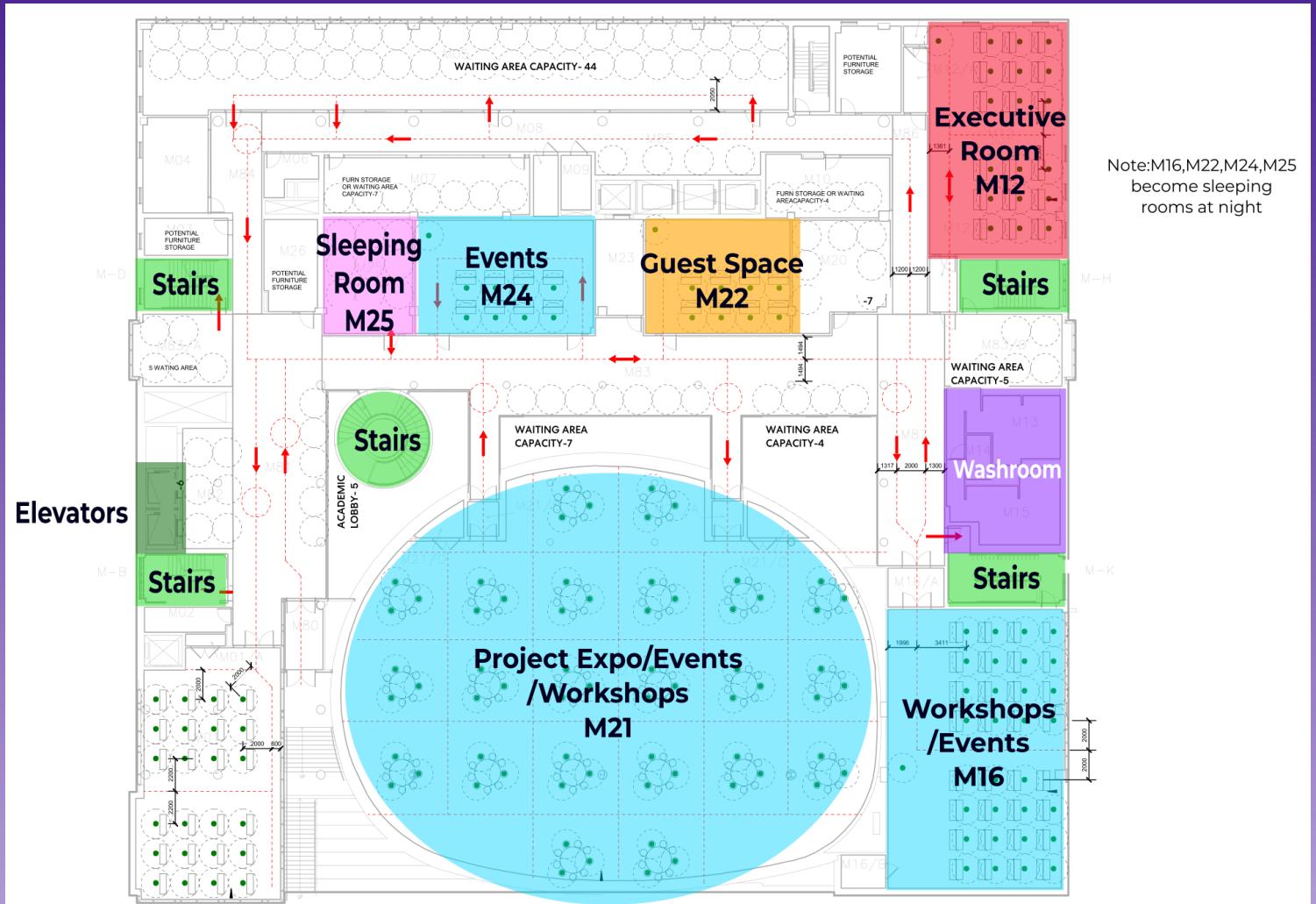
PGCLL MAP GROUND



Lunch and dinner + refreshments will be served in room 127.



PGCLL MAP MEZZANINE



JUDGING

Each team may have a **maximum of 4 members**. If you have more members, your team will not be considered for any prizes. You can submit your project to be judged for up to 2 challenges. Your team is automatically entered for the Best Overall DH11 Hack where prizes will be given to the top 3 hacks!

All projects must be submitted by **11 AM** on Sunday, January 12. You must submit your project on the DeltaHacks XI page on DoraHacks. Only one project submission is required per team. Judging will be conducted in person, in **PGCLL M21**. After project submission, your team will be assigned a judge's table, as well as a scheduled judging time. Join your assigned table during judging time with your team and present!

Live presentations will be conducted, with 2.5 minutes to present your project and 2.5 minutes for questions. Winners will be announced during Closing Ceremonies at 5:00 PM on Sunday, January 12th.



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