Summer 2025 Orchestra and Band For Beginners

IT'S TIME TO GET EXCITED!

The gift of music is one that your child will enjoy for years to come. District 203 offers a jumpstart summer band and orchestra program for beginning students entering 4th or 5th grade in 2025. Students that enroll in the summer program will be prepared to participate immediately in band or orchestra at their home schools in the fall.



QUICK FACTS

- Schedule:
 - Lessons begin on Wednesday, June 4th.
 - Program concludes with a demonstration concert on Friday, June 27th.
 - Students receive daily (M-F)
 30-minute lessons
- Location: Lincoln Junior High
- Cost: \$115



IMPORTANT DATES

- April 28th, 7pm Music staff will hold an optional parent information meeting via zoom.
- April 30th -Registration Opens
- May 14th Final Day to Register
- June 4th-June 27th Summer Music Camp
- June 19th No classes Juneteenth
- June 26th Combined rehearsals (times TBA)
- June 27th Concerts for all beginning musicians (times TBA)



BAND LESSON SCHEDULE

All lessons are 30 minutes

Flute - 8:00, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00

Oboe - 10:30

Clarinet - 7:30, 8:00, 9:30, 10:00, 11:00, 11:30

Saxophone - 8:30, 10:30

Trumpet - 7:30, 8:00, 9:30, 10:00, 11:00, 11:30

F Horn - 8:30, 10:30

Trombone/Baritone - 7:30, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 11:30

Tuba - 8:30, 10:30

Percussion - 7:30, 8:30, 11:30

ORCHESTRA LESSON SCHEDULE

All lessons are 30 minutes and begin at the following times for all string instruments: 7:30, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 11:30



When is Registration?

Online registration opens on Wednesday, April 30th



How to Register

All registration will happen on Infinite Campus. Registration opens on April 30

- Go to Infinite Campus Parent App login
- Click on "Music Camp Beginner Course Selection" - Make sure it's the BEGINNER choice
- Please read ALL INSTRUCTIONS and be sure to select a class and pay to complete registration.



What Materials Will I Need?

- Instrument
- Essential Elements Book 1 (for the appropriate instrument)
- Folding music stand (for concerts and home practicing)

Further details (including recommended instrument brands and available vendors) are available at this website:

https://bit.ly/203Beginners

**Note that larger instruments (tubas, baritones, and string basses are rented through the school district.

Which instrument is best suited for my child?

District 203 conducts an instrumental music demonstration and clinic for all 3rd grade students in April. Instruments WHAT IF I HAVE MORE QUESTIONS? are recommended with each child's long-term interests in mind.

Important Registration Information

Registration is held on a first come first served basis, and classes are limited to 7 students each. A time slot may be canceled due to low enrollment, in which case participants will be rescheduled by phone.

WHAT IF I CAN'T ATTEND ALL THE **LESSONS?**

Planned absences are discouraged due to the accelerated nature of the program, especially within the first week However, 1-2 absences may be accommodated later in the program. Please communicate planned absences to the teacher ASAP.

WHAT IF SUMMER LESSONS DON'T FIT **OUR SCHEDULE?**

Consider starting in private lessons or waiting until the fall to begin band or orchestra instruction. Look for information on how to join your school's band or orchestra in August.

Please consult the District 203 website or contact your school's band or orchestra

