

Private Lessons! – Benefits and Instructor Suggestions

Who should take private lessons?

- Anyone! Students who are of an advanced skill level, or those who may struggle with several intermediate skills.

What are private lessons?

- Usually 30 minutes-an hour and a half of one on one instruction with a student and upper level or professional musician.

When are private lessons?

- This is decided between the parent of the student and the instructor. Lessons are an added responsibility for the student, and an added financial responsibility for the parent. Most of the time private instructors will work with your schedules and financial needs. Students may take as few as one lesson a month or as many lessons as once a week.

Where are private lessons?

- Many instructors on the college level will want to teach out of their office on campus. Some instructors teach out of their home. Some instructors may be willing to travel to the student’s home or the school campus. **Most instructors now offer VIRTUAL lessons, so no need to travel!**

Why should a student take private lessons if they are already in a band class at school?

- Taking private lessons gives a student an “upper edge.” A large number of students who make Region Band & All-State band take private lessons.
- Working with a private teacher can help a student keep up or surpass their peers in the group setting.
- Private lessons can help to minimize frustration or confidence issues students may have in the full band class.
- Often students convey a new-found motivation for playing and music once they begin lessons

How can we get started with private lessons?

- Private instructors are private contractors, so you will need to contact an instructor directly to set things up.

Below you will find list of instructors. This list is being provided solely for the convenience of parents and students.

All persons included on this list are aware that they may be contacted by our parents/students for lessons.

This list should not be considered an endorsement of these individuals or their qualifications. These individuals are not employees of YSD1 and have not necessarily passed a criminal history background check (except YCHS Band Staff). They are not approved nor endorsed by the school district. YSD1 assumes no legal responsibility for these tutors/instructors and their interaction with students.

If private lessons teachers are willing/able to teach lessons at YCHS please have the day/time approved by the band director.

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