



Registration and Audition Information
for
Instrumental Music

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Instruments Offered

<i>Woodwinds</i>	<i>Brass</i>	<i>Percussion</i>	<i>Strings</i>
Flute Clarinet Bass Clarinet Oboe Alto Saxophone Tenor Saxophone Baritone Saxophone Bassoon	Trumpet French Horn Euphonium/Baritone Trombone Tuba	<i>CLASSICAL PERCUSSION.</i> There is NOT drumset offered at LSA unless you are an advanced player for an extracurricular jazz band.	Violin Viola Cello Upright Bass We do NOT offer guitar, ukulele, or bass guitar.

— If you are interested in taking instrumental music, consider the following criteria:

- Do you currently play a **woodwind, brass, or concert percussion** instrument?
 - If you **currently** play one of these instruments and would like to audition for higher placement, audition to place into a higher level of **Concert Band** or enter into **Wind Ensemble**.
 - See the placement audition procedures in the FAQ.
- Do you want to learn how to play a **woodwind, brass, or concert percussion instrument**?
 - Sign up for **Concert Band (Beginning)** to learn from scratch.
 - Course Request: Band Scheduling
- Do you currently play classical **violin, viola, cello, or upright bass**?
 - Sign up for **Orchestra** (Course Request: Strings 2 Scheduling)
 - You should audition if you are a current player to receive a higher placement.
 - See the placement audition procedures in the FAQ.
- Do you want to learn how to play classical violin, viola, cello, or upright bass?
 - Sign up for **Strings (Beginning)** to learn from scratch
 - Course Request:
- Do you have **ADVANCED** training (years) of music-reading piano, guitar, or drum set?
 - Audition for the **after-school jazz ensemble**. **MUST READ MUSIC!**



FAQs

- *I've never played an instrument before. I can't read music. Can I sign up for band or strings?*
 - **Yes!** We teach instruments from scratch at LSA. However, if you are joining at the high school level without any prior experience, we *highly* recommend taking private lessons while the student is enrolled. You will be taught basic skills in reading and playing, but the class will move **VERY** quickly. Outside training is strongly encouraged to avoid being flustered and left behind.
 - It's also quite helpful to also sign up for **Fundamentals of Music**.

- *I play a rock or pop instrument like guitar or drum set. Can I join?*
 - We do **not** currently offer curricular ensembles geared toward rock or pop instruments. You are welcome to join a class to learn a new classical instrument listed above.
 - NOTE: These instruments ARE offered in an advanced instrumental **jazz** after school ensemble. Students playing these instruments in jazz MUST be able to read music, understand chords and pitches, and have had several years of experience.
 - LSA also has a jazz club that is open to all students.

- *Do I have to audition?*
 - **No.** Without an audition, you will be placed in a **Beginning** level coded course.
 - Auditions **ARE** recommended for students with several years of experience to avoid being automatically placed into a beginner course where a student may not be challenged.

- *What is the placement audition procedure?*
 - If you would like to submit a **virtual** audition, fill out the form linked below. The audition form will ask for two videos:
 - 1 to 2 minutes of a classical solo, displaying your development, range, and technical skill on your principal instrument.
 - As many scales as you are comfortable performing, in as many octaves as you can achieve with success.
 - Submit auditions via: <https://forms.gle/XKASVBdx5LUkUPU28>
 - **Virtual auditions are due by Friday, June 3, 2022 at 5pm**
 - **If you are interested in scheduling an in-person audition, sign up with Student Services for a time during the Admitted Students Day on April 29, 2023.**
 - 1 to 2 minutes of a classical solo, displaying your development, range, and technical skill on your principal instrument.
 - As many scales as you are comfortable performing, in as many octaves as you can achieve with success.

If you have questions, you are welcome to email rose@longleafschool.com for more information.