

New and Returning Parents and Students,

The Faith Academy Music Department is an important part of the school community. We are pleased to welcome you and your child to this program and are looking forward to having the opportunity to teach your child next year. The music programs offered span grades 1-12.

In grades 1-4, students meet with Ms. Morgan Cleveland once a week for General Music class. The goal of General Music is for students to experience music at a young age so that they may pursue an avenue of instrumental or vocal music at an older age. In this class, students are taught basic music theory concepts, the basics of singing correctly, and how to play rhythm instruments. Students in grades 4 are also instructed on how to play the ukulele.

The instrumental program, under the direction of Mr. Tyler Martin, offers four levels of band during the school day: Beginner Band (grades 5-6, 1st year band members); Concert Band II (2nd year band members); Concert Band I (3 or more years' experience); and the Symphonic Band (3 or more years' experience, advanced). String players (violin, viola, cello, and string bass) are also involved in the music department through a strings ensemble class. The band program offers a Jazz Band that rehearses twice a week after school. Smaller ensembles may be formed to perform at school functions and throughout the city. The final ensemble offered in the program is the Faith Academy "Ram Corps" which performs at sporting events throughout the year. "Ram Corps" includes the Faith Academy Color Guard and Dance Team which consists of 7-12 grade girls.

The choral program, under the direction of Ms. Amanda Goins and Ms. Morgan Cleveland, offers five levels of choir during the school day: Fifth Grade Elementary Choir, Sixth Grade Elementary Choir; Junior Concert Choir (grades 7-8); Women's Ensemble (grades 9-12 grade girls, first year high-school choral experience); and Senior Concert Choir (grades 9-12 boys, and grades 10-12 girls with one year or more of choral experience). The Faith Academy Chamber Singers rehearse twice a week and is an auditioned group of the top high school vocalists from grades 9-12 in the music department.

The Faith Academy Music Department has been recognized as one of the finest music programs at the district, state, and national levels. Our top performing ensembles compete on the national level every other year and are awarded top honors at music festivals and superior ratings on their yearly state assessments. Students are encouraged to be as involved as possible; it is very common for students to participate in both choral and instrumental activities.

In an effort to continue music education outside of the music classroom and allow students whose schedules do not allow the music classes, the Faith Academy Music Department also offers private lessons in voice and percussion and private or group lessons in piano and guitar. These are offered at an additional fee before or after school or during school during their elective.

This is an exciting opportunity to allow your child to develop their God-given musical talents and interests. The chance to learn to play an instrument or sing is something that can last a lifetime. To help us plan for next year, we are asking you to take time and fill out the back of this letter and return it to the front office. If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at the school. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Amanda Goins, Director of Choral Music
Tyler Martin, Director of Instrumental Music

Morgan Cleveland, Assistant Choral Director
General Music Teacher



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FA Music Department Registration

Student Name: _____ Grade Level (2021-2022): _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s) : _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

I would like for my child to participate in the following for the upcoming school year:

(Please check or fill in)

- Band Instrument: _____ # Years Experience: _____
- Choir Vocal Part: Soprano Alto # Years Experience: _____
 Tenor Bass

I would like to set up an audition for my child to be considered for the following groups:

(Please check the following that apply)

- Chamber Singers (grades 9-12) Jazz Band (grades 7-12)
- Color Guard (grades 7-12) Ram Corps (grades 7-12)
- Dance Team (grades 7-12)

Would you like to receive more information about the Faith Academy Summer Music Camp held at the school in June? Yes No

If you are interested in taking private or group lessons, please indicate your choir below.

Private Voice Private Piano Group Piano Private Guitar Group Guitar Private Percussion

On the lines below, please include any other musical experience or information about your child that you would like for your music instructor to know.
