

WEST MILFORD HIGH SCHOOL Instrumental Music Department

Dear Band Parents/Guardians,

This letter is to inform you of the opportunity for children to take advanced private lessons. Since the COVID-19 pandemic, many instructors are teaching digitally through virtual platforms where distance doesn't become an issue, but are obviously back teaching in person as well. The following information discusses the benefit of private music instruction and lists a plethora of teachers based on our recommendations, specific instrument/style focus, and cost effective options.

As a music student, private music lessons are highly recommended to help lay down a strong musical foundation and teach the more advanced techniques you need to succeed and enjoy your instrument. As a parent with a student enrolled in a school band program, private lessons will finely tune the skills learned in school. Our instructors will give them the individual attention needed to progress to higher performance levels. You will see your child blossom with new confidence as they seize opportunities to try out for auditions (area, region and all-state). Additionally, your student's efficiency while practicing will increase notably, with the detailed instruction of our proficient instructors as they guide the student and enhance the enjoyment of playing. Even for an advanced player, private lessons will polish skills, allowing development of a wide musical repertoire, opening doors to more playing opportunities.

There are many great private teachers right here in the West Milford/North Jersey area. All of our instructors have experience playing professionally on the international and local circuits and with teaching music to young, old, beginning and advanced students. If you would like to study privately please contact the following:

Ms. Lazzara	Flute	pattyflute@aol.com	201-906-8260
Ms. Vanderslice	Oboe	vanstudio@earthlink.net	973-940-1619
Mr. Summers	Clarinet	richardsummers@verizon.net	201-707-3689
Ms. Kunzle	Clarinet	www.kunzlemusic.com	
Mr. Gramata	Saxophone/Cl/FI	gramata7@gmail.com	732-668-1899
Mrs. McLaughlin	Trumpet	tlmclaughlin@optonline.net	973 -208 3312
Dr. McLaughlin	French Horn	drmclaughlin@yahoo.com	973 -208 3312
Mr. Shinall	Trombone	kevinshinall@gmail.com	973-262-1701
Mr. Williams	Tuba/Baritone	kwilliams@hawthorne.k12.nj.us	973-647-4013
Mr. Monacelli	Percussion/Mallets	mpmonacelli@gmail.com	201-919-1007
Mr. Silverman	Drum Set	Larry.Silverman@hotmail.com	201-213-3443
Mr. & Mrs. Smolinski	Bagpipe	pipemajor@claddaghp.com	973-879-2569

For those of you who planned to participate in the summer jazz program and/or are looking to focus on **jazz studies** this summer, here is the contact information for our incredible jazz faculty and other great jazz educators:

Mr. Hayward	Saxophone	timberesfordhayward@hotmail.com
Mr. Yaremko	Saxophone	craigyaremko@gmail.com
Mr. Saltzman	Saxophone	info@jimsaltzman.com
Mr. Tolentino	Saxophone	jtlemusic@gmail.com
Mr. Cutro	Trumpet	vcutro@vinniecutro.com

Mr. Ecklund	Trumpet	eklundn@yahoo.com
Mr. Persad	Trumpet	cpersad@optonline.net
Mr. Verderese	Trombone	onemoreoncebigband@gmail.com
Mr. Hendricks	Trombone	Darrell.hendricks@motsd.org
Mr. Shinall	Trombone	kevinshinall@gmail.com
Mr. Perez	Piano	perezo@montclair.edu
Mr. Schechter	Piano	schechter22@yahoo.com
Mr. Latham	Drums	karl.latham@gmail.com
Mr. Moring	Bass	billmoring@verizon.net
Mr. LaSpina	Bass	steve@stevelasпина.com
Mr. Myers	Guitar	paulclarkemeyers@gmail.com
Mr. Sigler	Guitar	charliesigler@gmail.com

There are many fantastic musicians who have graduated or are currently in the West Milford band program that are available for private lessons. These students have been selected to North Jersey Area Band, North Jersey Region Band, NJ All State Band, The Honor Band of America, and attend some of the finest music schools in the country. Some are even pursuing degrees or are currently in the field of music education. **If cost of private instruction and traveling** to a specific location for lessons is a concern, studying with one of these fine individuals will be cost effective and most likely be able to come to your home. If you would like to study privately please contact the following:

Amanda Roth	Flute	music.amandaroth@gmail.com	973-945-5072
Sarah Chimileski	Flute	sarahchimileski@gmail.com	862-377-4243
Kathryn Keller	Oboe	kathrynkellr@gmail.com	973-222-9247
Alexis Silverman	Clarinet/Bass Cl/Bsn	apsilverman16@gmail.com	973-908-9747
Sean Partington	Clarinet	sparting@udel.edu	201-205-3024
Brian Kachur	Saxophone	bkachur@umich.edu	973-567-2231
Dan Dauber	Saxophone	dandauber531@gmail.com	914-303-6619
Cailin Cienki	Trumpet	cailin.cienki@gmail.com	973-934-6412
Zach McIntyre	French Horn		973-908-4091
Ben McLaughlin	Tbn/Baritone	bcmclaughlin155@gmail.com	862-666-0112
Shane Duffy	Tbn/Baritone/Bass Gtr.	shane.duffy@wmtps.net	845-324-0301
Hunter Mangano	Tuba/Bass	h.t.mangano@gmail.com	973-897-8275
Alex Kerssen	Piano	alexbk37@gmail.com	973-534-3364

Feel free to contact us regarding any questions or recommendations of any of these fine instructors. **Take the next step towards your musical success!**

Musically,

Ms. McPartland & Mr. Paccione - Macopin Middle School Directors
 Dr. McLaughlin & Mr. Gramata - West Milford H.S. Directors