How to Choose the Right Instrumental Music Class at BJH

Get involved in the award-winning instrumental music program at BJH! Use this quick guide to help you pick the class where you will best belong. For thorough details, please see the course description in your registration packet. If you have further questions about signing up, please contact Glenda Bartell by phone at (714) 990-7500, ext. 214, or by email at gbartell@bousd.k12.ca.us

**Beginning Band**

Choose this class if:

- You wish to learn to play a woodwind (flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, saxophone), brass (trumpet, French horn, trombone, baritone, tuba), or percussion (snare drum, bass drum, xylophone) instrument.

- You are a sixth grader who participated in beginning band in fourth or fifth grade but are not currently participating and you wish to try again in junior high.

- You have played an instrument before but want to learn a new instrument.

- **No experience is required. All students welcome!**

**Intermediate Band**

Choose this class if:

- You have played your instrument through fifth and sixth grade and are currently in band at your elementary school.

- You are a seventh grader currently enrolled in Beginning Band second period at Brea Junior High.

- You have at least one year of experience playing a woodwind, brass, or percussion instrument at school outside of the Brea Olinda Unified School District.

**Concert Band**

Choose this class if:

- You are a seventh grader currently enrolled in Intermediate Band or Concert Band at Brea Junior High.

- You have received prior approval from Mrs. Bartell to enroll in Concert Band.

- You were previously enrolled in a top-level, audition only band of similar ability level at another school.

- **This is the highest level band class. An audition is required unless you have received prior approval from Mrs. Bartell.**

**Beginning Guitar**

Choose this class if:

- You have no previous experience playing guitar and would like to learn.

- You have previous experience playing guitar but do not know how to read music and would like to learn.

- You are willing to spend time practicing and you are willing to play a variety of styles of music.

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**NOTE:**

If a student is placed in a class of inappropriate level or other problems are encountered, students may easily be transferred from one instrumental music class to another.