



CLARENCE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 2025 SUMMER INSTRUMENTAL AND VOCAL MUSIC LESSON PROGRAM

The Clarence Music Department will again sponsor their summer instrumental and vocal music lesson program for six weeks, from July 1 through August 8, 2025.

This program is offered to all Clarence instrumental music students in grades 4-12 (for band and orchestra) and current CHS and CMS (vocal) music students. A highly qualified staff of excellent instructors are in place, and we invite you to take advantage of this opportunity.

Please read the information in this packet and complete the following steps **by May 16.**

1. **Decide** the type of lessons you want your child or teen to take (4 or 5 lessons within a 6-week timeframe.)

PRIVATE LESSONS

Four or five 30-minute lessons of individualized instruction. This is highly recommended for all students.

Cost: \$25.00 (per lesson)

4 Lessons = \$100.00, 5 Lessons = \$125.00

(plus \$3.00 processing fee for Paypal or Venmo)

SEMI-PRIVATE LESSONS (grades 4 & 5 only)

Four or five 30-minute lessons of instruction.

* If choosing semi-private, a *lesson partner* must be indicated on the online registration form, so you will need to determine another parent is enrolling in semi-private lessons with that same teacher, and that the schedule works for each of you. Teachers are not responsible for making pairings.

Cost: \$20.00 (per lesson)

4 Lessons = \$80.00, 5 Lessons = \$100.00

(plus \$3.00 processing fee for Paypal or Venmo)

2. **Determine** your 1st and 2nd choice of teacher, based on the instrument or voice, their availability to teach, and what time and day works best for you. (See last page in packet.)
3. **Make certain** you have those days and times available and mark them tentatively on your calendar. (You will be contacted by a teacher by mid-June to work out schedules.) Lesson teachers are not obligated to make up missed lessons.
4. **Complete the online registration form** found on the Music web page:



<https://www.clarenceschools.org/music/music-news>

5. *Please make payment via Paypal, Venmo (QR codes below) or write a check and mail it.*

Important:

- *If paying by Paypal or Venmo, please add \$3.00 to cover the processing fees.*



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- *If paying by check, please make payable to Clarence Band Boosters and mail it to:* Clarence High School, Music Department, 9625 Main St., Clarence, NY 14031

For teachers to efficiently arrange schedules, it is essential that the application form is completed, and payment is received **by May 16, 2025**. Please continue reading some additional points and benefits of the summer lesson program on the next page and review the teacher choices on the last page.

For questions, please contact your child or teen's teacher, or Mrs. Fish in the Music office at (716) 407-9040.

This Program is an excellent way to continue building your musical skills during the summer months and we hope you choose to participate. Have a good, musically rewarding summer!

Sincerely,
Clarence Music Faculty

2025 CLARENCE SUMMER INSTRUMENTAL AND VOCAL MUSIC LESSON PROGRAM INFORMATION

Please read the following information about the Clarence Summer Music Lesson Program before you complete the online registration form.

1. The Summer Music Lesson Program starts the week of July 1 and ends on August 8. There is a choice of enrolling in four or five lessons, private or semi-private. All lessons, including make-ups, must be finished within this time. A list of teachers and their availability is on the next page for your review.
2. The online registration form must be submitted, and payment received by May 16, 2025. *No extensions will be given this year.* If paying by Paypal or Venmo, please add the additional \$3.00 processing fee. If paying by check, make it payable to the Clarence Band Boosters, and mail it to the Clarence High School, Music Department, 9625 Main St., Clarence, NY 14031.
3. Lessons will be given at the high school, middle school, one of the elementary schools, or in the instructor's home (depending on the instructor).
4. Lessons are available for all string instruments (Gr. 4-12), all band instruments (Gr. 4-12), and voice (for current middle school and high school students only.)
5. Highly qualified teachers are listed on the next page. You may select a choice of two teachers or indicate no preference. Choice #1 teacher will be assigned whenever possible. Since some teachers have limited space available, you may not get your first choice. If a teacher preference is not indicated, one will be assigned to your child(ren) based on his/her grade level and ability.
6. Each teacher will contact the individual families to schedule a lesson time agreeable to all by mid-June. Lesson teachers are not obligated to make up lessons missed by a student.

Advantages of Summer Music Lessons:

1. Students who have progressed beyond the average can continue to excel and work at their own level and capacity for learning.
2. Students whose progress has been below average can receive special attention and progress to a point in common with other students.
3. Inactivity during the summer months can result in a loss of musical skills already learned during the year. For beginners, this is most serious because many of the skills and good practice habits learned during the year are forgotten by September unless they continue to study in the summer.
4. Continued growth for all is important. Summer Lessons will keep the student practicing and improving. The result will be greater musical growth and personal satisfaction.

2025 CLARENCE SUMMER LESSON TEACHERS

WINDS & PERCUSSION	TEACHING DAYS	ESTIMATED TIME RANGE	LOCATION
Mrs. Elizabeth Reed French Horn	TBD, as needed	TBD, as needed	Teacher's Home
Colin Marzec Trumpet	6/27, 7/5, 7/21, 7/28, 8/4, 8/18	9:00 AM – 1:00 PM and 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM	CMS
Mr. Andrew Bodemer Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba	Tuesdays: July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	8:00 AM – 3:00 PM	CMS
Mrs. Linda Fusani: Flute	Monday	11:00 AM – 7:00 PM	Teacher's Home
Mrs. Chryste Mallory Clarinet & Bass Clarinet	Tuesday, Wednesday	8:00 AM – 1:00 PM	CMS
Michael Mallory Saxophone	Tuesday, Wednesday	8:00 AM – 1:00 PM	CMS
TBA Oboe			
Meghan Pitarresi Clarinet, Saxophone, Flute, Bassoon	Tuesday	9:00 AM – 3:00 PM	CHS
Mr. Dominic Scaduto Percussion	Wednesday	10:00 AM – 2:00 PM	CHS
STRINGS			
Mr. James Ieda (Current 4 th Graders Only) Violin & Viola	Tuesday Wednesday	1:30 – 3:00, 4:00 – 5:30, or 7:00 – 8:30 PM 9:00 – 11:30 AM or 1:30 – 3:00 PM	Teacher's Home
Mr. Daniel Polino Violin, Viola, Cello & Bass	Thursdays	9:00 AM – 3:00 PM	CMS Orch. Room
Ms. Amanda Witherell Violin, Viola, Cello & Bass	Monday Tuesday Thursday	9:00 – 11:30 AM, 1:00 – 1:30 PM 9:00 – 11:30 AM, 1:00 – 3:30 PM 3:00 – 7:00 PM	CMS Orch. Room
VOICE			
Ms. Kristen Grajek Vocal	Tuesday & Wednesday	10:00 AM – 1:00 PM	CHS
Ms. Erin Alexander Vocal	Monday & Thursday	11:00 AM – 3:00 PM (flexible)	CMS

Please be sure to check online for any updates to this list in the Parent Packet.
<https://www.clarenceschools.org/music/music-news>

Remember - by May 16, 2025:

- 1) Submit the online registration form.
- 2) Make the payment (with \$3.00 processing fee, if applicable.)

Checks payable to Clarence Band Boosters and mailed to:

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