

## **Summer Lesson Information**

As we head into the final quarter of the school year, it is amazing to witness the improvement that your kids have made during the school year. To ensure that your child's musical progress takes two steps forward instead of two steps back, please consider having your child participate in private music lessons this summer. Lessons provide your child with one-on-one attention to challenge and motivate them. We have many great adult lesson teachers in our area who love to work with young musicians. Private lessons are a wonderful investment in your child's music education! We also have some great high school students who may be available to do band buddy lessons.

Summer Lesson QR Code. Scan and complete the google form by FRIDAY, MAY 3.

Each half hour lesson is \$18-25 (depending on your teacher's lesson fees), and for each lesson that a student takes, the Jenison Band Boosters will put \$3 into the student's band account. The credits they earn in their account can be used on bandrelated purchases, such as reeds, oil, band sweatshirts, or band camp in high school. If you select Band Buddy lessons with a high school student, the fee is \$10 per lesson, but you would not receive that \$3 credit from the boosters. A minimum of 5 lessons over the summer is a good goal, but if your schedule and budget allows for more, that is great! You will be contacted by the private lesson teacher to set up your lessons. Most lessons will take place at our junior high, but some lesson teachers who live in Jenison may be able to offer them from their homes. You will pay the private lesson teacher directly. Your information will be passed on to the teachers, and they will try to contact you to schedule lessons by Friday, May 17. If you are going on vacation or to summer camp, it is usually possible to adjust your lessons for those dates. Obviously lessons missed without any notice to the teacher are not made up. If you're interested in private lessons but have questions, please call or email Mr. Palma or Mrs. Gembis. Please fill out the google form that we will email to you or you can simply scan the QR code to get to that same google form. The summer lesson google form must be completed by Friday, May 3.



## **Summer Music Camp Information**

There are many music camps in Michigan that offer everything from week long day camps to an overnight camp in cabins. Instead of printing off pages and pages of information regarding each of these camps, I have written out the web addresses for three camps that I think are great for middle school musicians to consider. Some of the camps also offer scholarships if you decide to pursue them! This year there is a 5 day camp in June that is being held at St. Cecilia Music Society in Grand Rapids. The director of the camp is fantastic, so I think this could be an amazing experience for our kids. Knollcrest Music Camp at Calvin College is another day camp at the end of July that many of our students have enjoyed. Both of these day camps are more affordable because they are local day camps. Blue Lake is an overnight camp near the Muskegon area, and they are offering many great scholarships. Students would need to play music in a "virtual" audition or submit a video. Music choices could be music we are playing in class. Check out their website for more info! We have had many kids enjoy the challenge of Blue Lake!

St. Cecilia- https://www.scmcgr.org/school-of-music/youth-programs/summer-camps

Knollcrest Music Camp- <a href="https://calvin.edu/academics/departments-programs/visual-performing-arts/events/knollcrest-music-camp/">https://calvin.edu/academics/departments-programs/visual-performing-arts/events/knollcrest-music-camp/</a>





## MIDDLE SCHOOL WEEK

Dates: July 22-26, 2024, 8:30am—2:30pm

Cost: \$275

Eligibility: Any student entering grades 7-8

Registration: Online registration opens on March 1

Students must have at least one year of musical experience and bring their own instruments. **KMC does not supply instruments.** 





## 2024 SESSIONS

Session 1:
June 26 - July 7
Grades 9 - 12 (Central Camp)
Grades 7 - 8 (Camp Bernstein)

Session 2: July 10 – July 21

Grades 9 – 12 (Central Camp) Grades 7 – 8 (Camp Bernstein)

Session 3:

July 24 – Aug. 4 Grades 7 – 9 (Central Camp) Grades 5 – 7 (Camp Bernstein)

Session 4:

Aug. 7 – Aug. 18 Grades 7 – 9 (Central Camp) Grades 5 – 7 (Camp Bernstein)