

# **William Land Elementary School Instrumental Music Program**

## **Mandarins Music Academy Distance Learning Syllabus 2020-2021**

Instructor: TBD based on chosen instrument and experience

Class Location: Remote via Zoom Meeting and Google Classroom

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To register please visit: <https://www.mandarins.org/programs/mandarins-music-academy/elementary-school-music-programs/register>

### **Class Times:**

Monday:	3:00 - 3:40
Tuesday:	3:00 - 3:40
Wednesday:	3:00 - 3:40

Note: Day of class will be determined by instrument selection and experience. We will let you know asap what day, and try our best to accommodate, given any scheduling conflicts.

### **Course Description – All Classes**

- 1) The curriculum applies a combination of synchronous (online zoom meeting) and asynchronous (offline) modes. The online class will be meeting with the teacher and no more than 20 students for a 40-minute class period.
- 2) Synchronous classes will meet once per week via Zoom Meeting using the assigned class code. Classes will be tailored to students instrument choice and experience level.
- 3) The asynchronous mode will consist of weekly written and recorded playing assignments that the student will turn in. The Music Director will provide feedback to the students on both written and playing assignments. Upon completing certain playing assignments, students will receive our Mandarins Music Academy Karate Belts. After receiving the purple belt, students are then eligible to participate Honor Band.

- 4) The Mandarins Music Academy will once again employ the Sound Innovations curriculum. Book is included in tuition. This program is especially well suited for asynchronous self-study because of it's online accompaniment capability. Every exercise can be played on a computer or cell phone and the student can play along with the metronome (beat) and in some cases accompaniment. There are also numerous videos available ranging from how to assemble, care for and play an instrument.

### **Other Online Resources**

- 1) MMA students are expected to utilize Sound Innovations free online instructional videos and practice tools  
<https://www.alfred.com/sound-innovations/si-online/>
- 2) Optional for Beginning instrumental classes: Book 1 of Sound Innovations is free to use on Smart Music. Also includes many practice tool to help master their instrument and recording projects.  
<https://www.smartmusic.com/blog/sound-innovations-book-1-free-in-smartmusic/>

### **Virtual Concerts/Honor Band**

Concerts and Honor Band will be online prerecorded concerts. Students are expected to record the assigned music and turn them in to be mixed and edited for the final product. More info to come.

### **Logging Into Classes with Zoom Meeting: Before a videoconference:**

- 1) You will need a computer, tablet, or smartphone with speaker or headphones(headphones recommended). You will have the opportunity to check your audio immediately upon joining a meeting.
- 2) For information on how to join a zoom meeting:  
<https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-Joining-a-meeting>
- 3) Music Director will provide class login information via email.

### **Logging into Classes with Google Classroom:**

- 1) You will need a computer, tablet, or smartphone

- 2) Go to the following website: <https://classroom.google.com/>
- 3) Please use the Google Classroom codes below to enroll in your specific Instrument Class:

Beginning Flute class code: myai6u3  
 Beginning Clarinet class code: unrgnvz  
 Beginning Alto Sax class code: t72l2pn  
 Beginning Trumpet class code: ma6v6hb  
 Beginning Trombone class code: pxxe5u7  
 Beg. Percussion class code: tkmvul3

Intermediate Flute class code: kz5iprx  
 Intermediate Clarinet class code: zwups3m  
 Intermediate Alto Sax class code: t3qxwoy  
 Intermediate Trumpet class code: 2tm73u6  
 Intermediate Trombone class code: z72yf4l  
 Int. Percussion class code: g3vnudq

### Attendance

Students are expected to be ready to log into zoom meeting at 3:00. Logoff will be promptly at 3:40.

### Grading

**The MMA Karate Belt Band Method** is a fun system designed to encourage you to practice and demonstrate your musical skills. Each Karate Belt will be more challenging, but will be within the students grasp with some practice. To receive a Karate Belt you need to practice the requirements on your own and turn in a video recording to your Music Director for feedback and approval. When you achieve a new belt, you can add it your collection. Have fun collecting all of the Karate Belts!

Note: All pieces must be performed with good tone, correct rhythm and correct notes

Color	White	Yellow	Orange	Red	Green	Blue	Purple	Brown	Black
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Degree Belts</b>	1. Assemble Instrument Properly 2. Demonstrate Proper posture and playing position	#18 Hot Cross Buns	#26 Go Tell Aunt Rhody	#31 Dredyl Dredyl	#38 London Bridge	#40 Technique Builder  #53 Pieces of Eight	#56 Skip to My Lou	#64 Frere Jacques	#74 Stodola Pumpa  #76 My Old Kentucky Home
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Belts</b>	#81 Musette #84 Morning	#87 Trap-Eazy Does It #91 Chester	#95 Emphasis on Notes #99 Aura Lee	#104 Theme from "New World Symphony" #107 Ode to Joy	#110 Concert B-Flat Major Scale Up Down Memorized #115 Overture to "William Tell"	#118 The Long and Short, Common Time, Accidental Blues #125 Can-Can	#128 Arirang #135 Hatikvah	#162 The Concert B-Flat Major Scale Up and Down #166 Surprise Symphony	#173 Scarborough Fair #181 O Canada

### **Policies on Distance Learning Assignments**

Assignments listed on Google Classroom will be assigned with the expectation that students make a honest attempt at completing them. Written and playing assignments should be turned in no later the Saturday before class.

**Because of COVID-19, we will closely monitor the requirements and recommendations from the Sacramento County Office of Education and the School District. We will then make adjustments to the classroom setting and curriculum based on these recommendations.**