

Covenant Life Music Academy 2009-10 School Year Schedule

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Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
11:35-12:15	<i>Beginning Brass Sectional</i>	<i>Beginning Woodwind Sectional</i>	<i>Beg. Percussion Sectional</i>	<i>Advanced Woodwind Sectional</i>	
1:55 – 3:00		Middle School Choir (6-8 th grades) High School Choir (9-12 th grades) Advanced Band		Make a Joyful Noise Choir (1 st – 2 nd grade) Grace Notes Choir (3-5 th grade) Middle School Choir (6-8 th grade) High School Choir (9-12 th grade) Beginning Band	
3:15 – 4:00		7 – 12 Select Choir <i>Adv. Percussion Sectional</i>	Intermediate Strings 2 3:15-4:45 Pep Band (winter)	Advanced Band Beginning Strings 3:15-4:30PM Intermediate Strings 1 3:15-4:45	Pep Band (winter)
4:00 – 5:00				<i>Advanced Brass Sectional</i> Pep Band (Winter)	

BAND

- Beginning Band = 4th/5th grade. Advanced Band = 6th grade and up.

BEGINNING BAND:

- Beginning Band meets once per week as a whole group, and once in sectionals (during the lunch hour – CLS students give up recess on that day).
- 4th and 5th grade students need to choose between band and choir. They are encouraged to consider band during this age range, because even if they do not continue, instrumental experience helps their choral understanding later.

ADVANCED BAND

- Advanced Band meets three times weekly: 2 Full Band classes, and one sectional. However, all students would only need to come to church twice weekly as Band and Sectionals would run back-to-back (as we do this year).
- For CLS students in grades 6th and up: if a student participates in band, he or she attends choir from 1:55-3PM on Tuesday, and band from 1:55-3PM on Thursday.

PEP BAND

- Pep band meets after school and will play at basketball games during the winter season. Rehearsals will be arranged based on upcoming games.

STRINGS

- Beginning Strings = Suzuki book 1
- Intermediate 1 = late book 1 through book 3
- Intermediate 2 = book 4 through book 6
- Advanced = book 6 and above
 - Advanced students meet in quartets/small groups and serve at church functions.
 - Students at this level may participate in Sunday morning orchestra and drama productions (depending on openings, and audition may be required).
 - Students are encouraged to be mentors for beginning and intermediate strings

String students are required to be taking private lessons to participate in one of the ensembles.

CHOIR

- Make a Joyful Noise Choir (grades 1-2) includes singing, music and movement games, and a lot of fun!
- Grace Notes (grades 3-5) include singing in unison and two parts, with an emphasis on beginning vocal production. Students in grades 4-5 are also encouraged to try out band during these years.
- New Song Choir (grades 6-8) includes singing in two to three parts, and more complex harmonies.
- One Voice Choir (grades 9-12) includes singing a variety of music including hymns, worship songs, classical pieces, and music from around the world.
- Chamber Singers (grades 7-12) is a select choir, based on audition. It is for high school ladies and men whose voices have changed. It will perform more challenging repertoire. Students must be a part of the New Song (middle school) or One Voice (high school) choirs to audition.
- All students in choir will take a placement test at the end of each semester to monitor their progress.