



1401 Highedge Dr.
Plano, TX 75075

SCHOOL BEGINS

August 9, 2020

UPCOMING DATES:

AUGUST 12: First Day of Remote Learning

AUGUST 18-20, 7:00-8:15AM: First Week of AM Rehearsals; **Tu:** WW, Perc, & Guard, **W:** Brass, **Th:** ALL

Good evening,

I am so grateful to have seen you all in person, and I am missing you already! As we begin classes this week, Vines Band will scale back a bit of our rehearsal demands to give students a chance to acclimate to their new schedules with their classes. We will begin our regular morning rehearsal schedule the week of August 17th-21st.

Vines Band Curriculum

- During the week, **students will be trained** to efficiently use digital learning platforms.
- Students will receive **unified curriculum**, whether they have chosen School@Home or in-person. Clark and Vines Staff have taken great care to design an experience that will provide students in both tracks with equitable experiences at their level of comfort. We will continue to maintain health & safety protocol for in-person students during morning rehearsals.
- Students will receive a **weekly assignment sheet** to clearly reinforce all synchronous lessons. Asynchronous times will be used for tutorials, lessons, and social (digital) meetings.
- Students will be scheduled according to a class period determined by last spring's auditions. While **there may be some variance in the district course title** on your student's schedule, the **class period** will determine the student's instruction. If you believe that your student has been scheduled into the wrong class period, please **contact the Band Directors** to relieve correspondence traffic to our counselors. As you can imagine, their office is very busy this week, as they sort through the many schedule changes on campus.

Google Classroom

- While parents will still receive weekly updates regarding program logistics, all curriculum and materials will be delivered via Google Classroom.
- The district is providing email addresses to every student, and this will be the email address used for direct correspondence to students. Remind101 will continue to be used for logistic announcements.
- Please join the appropriate classrooms using the codes below:
 - 1st Period, Percussion: g7pjzp
 - 1st Period, Symphonic Band: bf7snzs
 - 2nd Period, Wind Ensemble: ce3kilo
 - 3rd Period, Wind Symphony: ryjw4ot
 - 6th Period, Jazz Band: 6h5whnb



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Private Lessons

As we reopen, we will continue to allow students to take private lessons with our world-class district lesson staff during synchronous class periods. Students may also opt to take lesson during their asynchronous times, per the teacher's availability. Students will be given instructions to log into lessons during the first three days of school.

Community Night

Join the Plano, Clark, and Vines Bands as we support various local businesses who have supported our Band students over the years. We are spotlighting **Mama's Pizza** from 5-9pm on Monday, August 10. See the attached flyer, and wear your spirit colors!

Sincerely,

Jonathan & Chris

www.VinesBand.info

Virtual Office Hours: M-F, 7:00am-4:00pm