

# BAND

## Course Summary

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### WHO THIS COURSE IS FOR:

- 4th-8th grade students
- Anyone interested in being a part of a band
- No experience in music is necessary (though it's a plus!)

### COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- Students will know basic music concepts and how to read music.
- Students will learn how to take care of their instrument, including daily maintenance, tuning, and how to store their instrument when it's not being played.
- Students will learn how to practice effectively, how to set goals, and how to develop healthy practice habits.
- Students will learn how to play with correct posture and technique.
- By the end of the class, the group will perform together as a band in a concert setting.

### INSTRUMENT RENTALS:

- Keller Strings will be providing instrument rentals for all students playing string instruments. Keller Strings will also assist in finding the right sized instruments for the children.
- Michon's Music will be providing all other instrument rentals and will also help in finding proper sizes.
- Students will rent their instruments directly from Keller Strings and Michon's Music and will keep them for the duration of the course (and hopefully longer!) to practice in between classes.

### CURRICULUM:

- Essential Elements for Band, Book 1
- Guitar for Kids Method and Songbook
- Bass for Kids
- Original arrangements by Nick Bierman

## MEET THE TEACHER



### NICK BIERMAN

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Nick Bierman comes from a long line of musicians who encouraged him to start learning music at a very young age.

He developed a passion for many instruments during his childhood such as piano, guitar, trombone, drum set, voice, and more. Nick continued his pursuit of music at

Birmingham-Southern College where he completed a Bachelor's of Music in Composition. Nick began teaching students of all ages in private and group settings while in college and quickly discovered that teaching was his true calling. Nick founded NOLA School of Music with the goal of encouraging future generations to pursue music!