

ADVANCED PRAISE BAND / MUSIC 101



Praise the Lord.

Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens.

Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness.

Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet praise him with the harp and lyre,

praise him with timbrel and dancing, praise him with the strings and pipe,

praise him with the clash of cymbals, praise him with resounding cymbals.

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord.

Psalm 150

What is this class all about?

- Advanced Praise Band is Salem Lutheran School's upper level praise band elective. Our primary goal is to take budding worship leaders and musicians and train them in the worship arts. Much of the time in class will be spent training these young leaders in various musical skills individually and as a group: learning songs, practicing expressive worship leading, listening to the band and fitting your individual part into the mix, etc. In addition to those skills they will also get opportunities to learn the heart behind leading people in worship through in-class devotions, prayers, scripture, and spiritual discussion. Why we do what we do is just as important, if not more important, than the actual act of playing and leading. The students will then get to put these skills and their heart for leading worship into practice by leading the student body regularly in our school chapels. For particularly motivated students we also offer the opportunity to add a MUSIC 101 portion to the class where students will learn all about basic to intermediate music theory, further enriching their musicality and knowledge of the arts. 8th graders that choose this option will be eligible to receive high school MUSIC 101 credit.

Prerequisites:

- Applicants must have at least 1 year of experience on their instrument
- Applicants must pass an audition
- Applicants must submit a \$100 technology fee (to be applied to TADS upon acceptance)
- Applicants must be enrolled in private lessons at least twice a month for their instrument/voice throughout the school year

Available Positions:

The classroom is able to accommodate up to 9 instrument and/or vocal parts. Typically the praise band will consist of the following instruments:

- 1 Drum Set
- 1 Bass Guitar
- 1 Acoustic Guitar
- 1 Lead Electric Guitar
- 1 Keyboard/Synth
- 1 Piano OR 1 Rhythm Electric Guitar
- 2 Female Vocalists
- 2 Male Vocalists

Required Equipment:

- **DRUMS** - Standard Drum Set For Home Practice Use (Preferably Acoustic, Not Electronic), Two Pairs Of Regular Drum Sticks, Two Pairs Of "Hot Rod" Drum Sticks
- **BASS GUITAR** - Bass guitar, Guitar Tuner (preferably a pedal tuner like the Boss TU-3 or similar products), Two 10ft Quarter Inch Cables, Extra strings, Guitar Strap, Case, Bass Amp For Home Practice Use.
- **ACOUSTIC GUITAR** - An Acoustic-Electric Guitar, Guitar Tuner (Preferably A Pedal Tuner Like The Boss TU-3 Or Smilar Products), Two 10ft Quarter Inch Guitar Cables, Extra Picks, Extra Strings, Guitar Capo, Guitar Strap, Guitar Case
- **ELECTRIC GUITAR** - Electric Guitar, Tuner (Preferably A Pedal Tuner Like The Boss TU-3 Or Similar. If Your Effects Pedal Board Has A Built In Tuner, That Should Be Sufficient), Some Kind Of Effect Pedal Board Like The VOX ToneLab EX or Line6 POD HDX (Email pburroughs@salem4u.com for more information on which one to get or for any questions about effects), Two 10ft Quarter Inch Cables, Extra Picks, Extra Strings, Guitar Capo, Guitar Strap, Guitar Case, Amp For Home Practice Use.
- **KEYBOARD** - Midi-Capable Keyboard (NOT A PIANO - Email pburroughs@salem4u.com if you need suggestions), Midi Cable, Laptop Capable of Running MainStage, MainStage App, Foot Sustain Pedal For The Keyboard, Headphones For Home Practice Use.
- **PIANO** - Piano or Electric Piano For Home Practice Use

Audition Info:

- **WHEN** - Thursday, August 11th, Monday, August 15th, and Tuesday, August 16th
- **WHERE** - Salem Praise Band Classroom (behind the worship center)
- **WHAT** - Please prepare your instrument or voice part to the song "We Are The Free" and be prepared to play it along with another song of your choosing. Sheet music and mp3 for "We Are The Free" are attached to this email, or can be obtained by emailing pburroughs@salem4u.com. *WE ARE ASKING FOR AT LEAST ONE PARENT OR GUARDIAN TO BE PRESENT AT THE TIME OF THE AUDITION.*
- **HOW** - A link to sign up for an audition time will also be included in this email. They may fill up fast so please sign up soon!