

Foothill High School Instrumental Music



2020-2021 Course Offerings

While the state government has not allowed us to continue to offer any wind band classes during the COVID crisis, our district has been in full alignment with Mr. Bahr's vision to offer quality alternative music courses; both to our band members and our entire student body. At Foothill, we are proud to be able to offer five exciting, rewarding instrumental music education options for you!

- 🎵 **Orchestra** – Open to 9-12 grade. Student can learn violin, viola, cello or upright bass in this course. Experience is recommended, but not required. Student will learn individual technique, chamber music playing skills, notation, and overall musicality.
- 🎵 **Guitar** – Open to 9-12 grade. This *acoustic* guitar course will focus on notation, chord knowledge, the history of the guitar (particularly through the blues and rock n' roll eras), and songwriting components. Students will play both individually and in small ensembles.
- 🎵 **Piano 1** – Open to 9-12 grade. The Piano Lab course will introduce any interested student to the piano. Whether you have never played before or have had some experience, this class will help you grow and promote an appreciation for the piano.
- 🎵 **Piano 2** – Open to 9-12 grade (recommended for 11-12 grade). This Piano Lab course will enhance pre-established piano skills in a wide variety of genres. This class will focus on growing in music theory and all aspects of musicality.
- 🎵 **Percussion** – Open to 9-12 grade (recommended from 10-12 grade). Experience is highly recommended. This course will teach proficiency in drum rudiments, ensemble playing, cadence writing, and aptitude on all percussion instruments.

Questions? Need more info? Mr. Bahr's got you covered! mbahr@suhsd.net