

Private Teachers

Nearly without exception, the students in band who play the best, improve the fastest, and even, perhaps, enjoy band the most, are those who take private lessons. The one-on-one format and “apprenticeship” atmosphere can pay huge dividends for the student, in a very different way than the more group-focused nature of a band class. Simply put, in an ensemble with dozens of students, not as much individual attention can be paid; what’s more, the value of guidance from a professional who plays the same musical instrument is often more specifically beneficial for the student. Put differently: in band, we focus on the performance of the group – in private lessons, the focus is exclusively on the single student. Of course, private lessons are an investment of time and money, and those factors must be taken into consideration. However, it may not cost as much as you think, and the time is well worth it. Private teachers can be mentors in so many ways; it is nearly impossible to overstate their importance. The list below, by no means comprehensive, is intentionally in alphabetical order. Depending on the needs of the student, the teacher that is the “best match” may vary. Also, availability may be limited for some teachers. See Mr. Martin for more information, or, feel free to call the teachers directly and talk to them about their approach. Whatever you do, please don’t be afraid to give private lessons a try! It is never too late or too early to start. (This list is also under constant revision. If you encounter a phone number that is incorrect, or a person who wishes to not be listed, please inform Mr. Martin as soon as possible so he can make the necessary change.)

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Erin Gittelsohn 703-569-4088
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CLARINET

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Rita Eggert (& all woodwinds)
703-660-1399
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Vicki Gotcher (& bass cl.)
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Laura Grant 734-634-3263
Russell Gross 703-916-0857
Michelle Guadagnino 703-721-3328
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Daniel Lee 703-938-3431
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LOW BRASS

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703-799-0954
Richard Demy 225-810-1436
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Bruce Docherty (Tbn/Btn)
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Eric Hoang (Tuba/Btn)
571-235-3825
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John Huling (Tbn) 703-425-2094
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Gus Mitchell (Tbn) 703-750-3150
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Scott Niehoff 703-455-1753
Bill Richards 703-698-9136
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REPAIRS

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Miles Smith (mostly woodwinds)
703-642-8232
Tony Valenti (woodwinds)
703-278-8236

OTHER RESOURCES

(These businesses may or may not have qualified teachers on your instrument.)
Arena Sound Music Instruction
703-698-0074
Falls Church Music Conservatory
703-536-6610
Foxes Music 703-533-7393
Music & Arts (Bailey’s Crossroads)
703-820-3610