



Welcome to the Irvine High Instrumental Music Department and the Vaquero Instrumental Music Boosters (VIMB) 2021-2022 School Year

Your Directors are Robert Avzaradel and Derek Venlet.
All parent communications are via our website at www.vimb.info or by email

ALL 2021-2022 music students must be registered by Friday, September 10th.

A meeting for ALL music families will be held Monday, August 9th at 7pm in the IHS Theatre.

IMPORTANT DATES:

- Thursday, July 1st – Music Registration opens at www.vimb.info
- Percussion Rehearsals 2-5pm in the IM room on the following Wednesdays: July 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th and August 4th.
- Saturday, July 31st – Deadline to register online for ALL Marching Band students.
- Monday, August 9th – Marching Band Camp starts.
- Monday, August 9th – Parent Meeting for ALL instrumental music students @ 7pm in IHS Theatre.
- Friday, August 13th – Marching Band Preview Concert @ 6pm in IHS Amphitheatre.
- Friday, September 10th – Deadline to register online for ALL Instrumental Music students (band, orchestra, percussion ensemble, guitar and piano).

This letter contains the following sections:

- Vaquero Instrumental Music Boosters (VIMB)
- Costs and Contributions
- School Instrument Use
- Instrumental Music Registration Checklist

Vaquero Instrumental Music Boosters (VIMB)

The Vaquero Instrumental Music Boosters (VIMB) is a volunteer parent organization that provides both financial and volunteer support to the instrumental music programs at Irvine High School. The organization runs major music events and fundraisers throughout the year. Funds raised are used to purchase and maintain instruments, pay for music coaches, and purchase new sheet music for all instrumental music groups.

- Concert Orchestra, Symphonic Orchestra & Philharmonic Orchestra
- Concert Band, Symphonic Band & Wind Ensemble
- Percussion Ensemble, Guitar & Piano
- Marching Band
- Jazz I & Jazz II

Being a booster parent is also a lot of fun! Please join our music directors and other music parents at our monthly meetings. It is a great place to get all the latest information and updates. VIMB meetings are generally held on the third Thursday of each month from 7:00pm-8:15pm. Meeting reminders are emailed to parents and also available on the VIMB website.

Costs & Contributions

The award-winning Vaqueros Instrumental Music programs are solely dependent on voluntary contributions and fundraising throughout the year. We do not receive funds from the state, IUSD, or IPSF for our program.

The expenses listed below are covered annually by the Vaquero Instrumental Music Boosters (VIMB) in support of ***all instrumental music students and classes***. In previous years, we have been able to raise funds through events such as the Irvine Invitational Field Tournament and the Irvine Jazz Festival. Due to COVID, we were unable to hold these fundraising events last year. This year, the program will be supported by parents. We need your assistance to be able to offer a quality program for the upcoming year. Each family has faced different challenges over the past year, so we appreciate your contributions more than ever. Please donate generously if you are able.

Vaquero Instrumental Music Boosters (VIMB) Annual Expense Budget:

Music Coaches	\$26,000
Instrument/Accessories Purchases	22,000
Instrument Repairs	7,000
Supplies, Music, Software, Festival, Misc.	7,000
Marching Band Expenses	<u>22,000</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$84,000</u>

School Instrument Use

Irvine High School has a few instruments available for student use at school. For safety reasons, instruments will no longer be used by different students for each class period throughout the day. Unfortunately, we do not have enough instruments to provide full-time rentals directly through Irvine High School.

We request a \$150 instrument use contribution (see online Registration Form). Contribution for use of second instrument in the same family is \$100. This contribution covers normal maintenance and SIMPLE repairs of the instrument. Any maintenance and repairs beyond that which is deemed to be normal will be an additional charge to the student. Your support is needed to maintain the quality of our instruments for our students.

Please register each student online at www.vimb.info/Registration



REGISTRATION CHECKLIST FOR INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

Once you have completed the registration process, please take a moment to confirm that you have done the following:

- Completed the online registration (one per student) at www.vimb.info/Registration.
- Printed and completed the Registration Contribution form.
- Printed and completed the Trip Waiver/Medical Authorization form.
- Made instrumental music contribution with a check payable to "VIMB" (if applicable).
- Made instrumental music CASH contribution (if applicable).
- Made instrumental music contribution online (if applicable).
- Mailed Registration Contribution and Trip Waiver/Medical Authorization forms along with your check (if applicable) to the VIMB Registrar at:
VIMB
c/o Bernice MacVicar
37 Ohio
Irvine, CA 92606

- Made a copy of these forms for your records.

Please visit our website, www.vimb.info for the most recent news and updates including calendars, upcoming events, volunteer needs and sheet music for your student.

Should you have any questions about Registration, please contact our registrar, Bernice MacVicar, at ihs.vimb@gmail.com.

Thank you for your contributions!

