



## Senior Program

For musicians finishing grades 9–12 and beyond, the **KISSM Senior Program** offers an exciting, immersive experience designed to challenge, inspire, and elevate their musical journey. Whether students are seasoned performers or exploring a new instrument, they'll be surrounded by passionate instructors and like-minded peers who share their dedication and enthusiasm.

Participants will **play, sing, act, and lead**, building confidence while honing their craft. Each morning, students will dive into either the **Band Program or Choir Program**, followed by two dynamic afternoon electives tailored to their interests.

The **KISSM Senior Program** is more than just a music camp—it's a **transformative experience**, connecting young musicians in a creative, high-energy environment where they can grow, collaborate, and shine.

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## KISSM Senior Programs - Morning

Young musicians will choose either the **Band Program** or the **Choir Program** in the morning, and then choose two electives in the afternoon.

### Choir Program

Calling all vocalists! The **KISSM Choir Program** is an exciting and dynamic experience where young musicians come together to **harmonize, grow, and have a blast!**

Each morning, singers will dive into **energizing choral music**, mastering three- and four-part harmonies while building essential vocal skills. Through engaging activities and expert guidance, students will develop **strong musicianship, rhythmic and melodic independence, and vocal confidence.**



From **breathing techniques to vocal tone and expression**, participants will explore the fundamentals of healthy singing while experimenting with a variety of musical styles. Whether you're a seasoned singer or just discovering your voice, this program is all about **music, connection, and FUN!**

## **Band Program**

Join one of our **fantastic band ensembles** and experience the thrill of making music with fellow young musicians! On the first morning of KISSM, instrumental students (except complete beginners) will meet with a **friendly faculty member** to find the best ensemble for their skill level—no need to prepare anything in advance, just bring your enthusiasm! If you're feeling nervous, don't worry—we'll make sure you feel comfortable and supported.

All **Band Program** students must bring their own instrument on the first day. If you don't have one, **rentals are available from [Long and McQuade](#)**. Our ensembles follow **traditional Concert Band instrumentation**, featuring woodwinds, brass, and percussion. While electric bass guitar isn't included in Concert Band, bassists are encouraged to try **upright bass** to join the fun! ([click here for a comprehensive list of Concert Band instruments](#)).

Come ready to **learn, grow, and make amazing music** in an exciting and supportive environment!

## **Three Levels of Band – Find Your Perfect Fit!**

No matter where you are in your musical journey, KISSM's Band Program has a place for you! With three exciting levels, young musicians can learn, grow, and perform in an inspiring and supportive environment.

### **Intro-To-Band**

Always wanted to play a concert band instrument but never had the chance? Now's your time! This course is perfect for beginners looking to **learn the basics, gain confidence, and get a head start** before joining their school band next year. Through **small group sectionals, Concert Band instruction, and fun ensemble playing**, students will build a solid foundation while making music with new friends. **(Instrument rentals available from Long & McQuade.)**

### **Intermediate Band**

This course is designed for KISSM musicians who already play a concert band instrument and are ready to **refine their technique, expand their musical repertoire, and strengthen their overall musicianship**.



Students will develop their skills through **engaging ensemble work, exposure to diverse musical styles, and focused instruction**—all while getting a **great head start for the next school year**.

With a strong emphasis on **large group performance**, this course is perfect for musicians looking to **gain confidence, build experience, and become key players in their school bands**. Participants will also benefit from **small group sectionals, expert Concert Band instruction, and the exciting opportunity to perform in Mass Band with fellow KISSM musicians**.

### **Senior Band**

For experienced musicians who **love performing in concert band**, this level offers exciting and approachable repertoire designed to push your skills further. With expert guidance, students will **hone their rhythmic precision, improve music literacy, and take their playing to the next level** in just a short time. If you're ready for a challenge and want to **be part of an incredible, high-energy ensemble**, this is the place for you!

No matter which level you choose, **you'll have an unforgettable experience making music, meeting fellow musicians, and having fun!**

### **KISSM Senior Programs - Afternoon Electives**

Young musicians will choose either the **Band Program** or the **Choir Program** in the morning, and then choose two electives in the afternoon.

#### **Elective group A - choose one:**

##### **Junior Jazz Band**

Ready to swing, groove, and dive into the world of jazz? Junior Jazz Band is the perfect place for developing musicians to explore jazz fundamentals in a fun and supportive setting. We'll introduce key concepts like swing feel, improvisation, and jazz style while playing exciting ensemble music. This group is all about learning and gaining confidence—whether you're playing your first jazz solo or locking in with the rhythm section. If you've got 1-2 years of playing experience and are eager to explore jazz, this is the place to start!

**Prerequisite: For students with 1-2 years of playing experience on their chosen concert band instrument**



**Prerequisite: None! This class is open to everyone.**

## **Songwriting Sessions**

Inspired by your favourite artists to tell a story of your own: Songwriting Sessions is a **workshopping space** where aspiring students can learn to **write melodies, lyrics, and chord progressions**. You will be able to **develop your artistic identity** and **create fully-formed songs** of your choice in genre. A goal of this course will be to work together with new friends to perform and support the creation of a songwriting project!

Through guided exercises and hands-on songwriting, you'll be equipped to craft meaningful experiences and stories that shape your view of the world. This is your chance to **take-the-leap and put your voice into the world**.

**Prerequisite: None! This class is open to everyone.**

## **Guitar**

Whether you're picking up the guitar for the first time or already have some skills, this course is designed to **take your playing to the next level!** Learn essential techniques like **reading music and tabs, picking and strumming**, while mastering the songs you love to play—whether it's at home, around the campfire, or with friends.

Guitars are provided, but feel free to bring your own if you have one! Get ready to **improve your technique, build confidence, and have a lot of fun** along the way.

**Prerequisite: Everyone is welcome!**

## **Quiet Koala**

Need a moment to pause during the **busy camp day**? Quiet Koalas offers a **calm, supervised** space where campers can **slow down, recharge**, and enjoy an hour of **independent quiet time** each afternoon. Campers are asked to bring their own low-tech activities such as **reading, sketching, journaling, puzzles, or other creative projects** that encourage relaxation and focus. While this is not a teacher-led class, the environment is intentionally **peaceful** and designed for students who are comfortable engaging in **quiet, independent activities**. Listening to music with headphones is welcome; video games and other



high-energy technology are not permitted. Ideal for campers who benefit from a **mental reset** before returning to the energy of camp life.

**Best suited for campers who are able to work independently and respect a shared quiet environment.**

### **SpongeBob the Musical CAST for the Senior Musical**

Plunge into this stunning all-singing, all-dancing, dynamic stage show! When the citizens of Bikini Bottom discover that a volcano will soon erupt and destroy their humble home, SpongeBob and his friends must come together to save the fate of their undersea world. With lives hanging in the balance and all hope lost, a most unexpected hero rises up. The power of optimism really can save the world!

An exciting new musical featuring irresistible characters and magical music, this deep-sea pearl of a show is set to make a splash with audiences young and old. The future is bright, the future is bold, the future is The SpongeBob Musical.

**Students who register for “SpongeBob the Musical CAST must register for this class in both Elective A and B.**

### **SpongeBob the Musical: CREW for the Sr. Musical**

Love the excitement of the **Senior Musical** but prefer to work behind the scenes? This is your chance to **be part of the action** by supporting the production in **stage management, lighting, sound, costumes, and props!**

In this hands-on course, you'll get to **build props, design and fit costumes, and operate sound and lighting boards**, all while learning the **ins and outs of stage management**. Whether you're interested in **technical theatre, set design, or production coordination**, this experience will give you valuable skills in a **fun and creative environment**.

**Limited to 8 registrants – sign up early! No experience needed—everyone is welcome!**

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## Elective Group B - Choose One:

### Intro to Rock Band

With expert guidance, students will have the chance to utilize their experience on **bass, drums, electric guitar, and vocals** in a **high-energy, collaborative environment** to make some killer Rock Music!

Throughout the program, musicians will develop **rhythmic precision, stage presence, ensemble playing, and improvisation skills** while learning to **listen, adapt, and perform with confidence**. Whether you're shredding on guitar, locking in a groove on bass, rocking out on drums, or belting out a killer vocal line, you'll gain essential **musical skills, teamwork experience, and a serious boost in confidence**.

If you're ready to step into the spotlight and be part of an **amazing, electrifying ensemble**, this is the place for you!

**Prerequisite: Students should have one year experience playing electric guitar, bass, drums, or singing before taking this elective**

### New to You Band

Are you ready to mix things up? **New to You Band** is your chance to try that instrument you've been eyeing from across the room (yes, even the tuba). Whether you're a sax player dreaming of drumming or a clarinetist ready to unleash your inner trumpet hero, this is your time to shine—or squeak. No pressure, no judgment, just fun and some beautiful chaos.

**Prerequisite: The Young Musicians taking this class should have over 1 year of experience on a concert band instrument.**

### Epic Echoes

An afternoon elective for exercising the students' minds while creating characters for creative writing or role-playing games, like D&D. This class is not a performance-based class, but instead builds oral storytelling skills through daily discussions, by creating short D&D style sessions.



This is a good elective for older, imaginative students who may need a block that's not playing an instrument or singing, but still works their creative muscles!

**Prerequisite: Everyone is welcome!**

### **Senior Jazz Band**

Take your jazz skills to the next level in this dynamic, performance-driven ensemble! Senior Jazz Band is designed for experienced musicians who are ready to refine their technique, tackle more challenging charts, and dig deeper into improvisation and ensemble playing. We'll explore a range of jazz styles—from swing and bebop to funk and Latin—while focusing on musicianship, expression, and tight ensemble work. This is a high-energy, fast-paced group that will push your playing and prepare you for performance opportunities. Get ready to groove!

**Prerequisite: For students with 3+ years of playing experience**

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