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# Harvest Christian Academy Lantana After-School Music Program

We're so glad you're interested in our programs! This guide is meant to provide specific information to help you get off to a great start.

**Visit our website: [www.rojasschoolofmusic.com/harvest-christian-academy-lantana/](http://www.rojasschoolofmusic.com/harvest-christian-academy-lantana/)**

## WHO WE ARE

### Our Mission

Positively impact communities through the experience of making music.

### The Team

Our team is composed of professional musicians and teachers. They attend a variety of trainings and workshops to stay current on pedagogical practices, strategies, and techniques. Many of our teachers also perform locally and we periodically release concert dates/times as they become available for public attendance.

### About our Programs

We have been offering youth orchestra programs for the past 6 years. Our programs focus on building not only the orchestra as a whole but also the individual players and sections. In addition to learning the basics of the instruments and what it means to be part of the orchestra, we also teach technique and musicality. For students wanting more individualized instruction, we suggest adding a 15min or 30min private lesson each week. We traditionally offer 2 concert opportunities each year.

### Weekly Practice

Groups will meet on Wednesdays for 90min after school for in person or online classes depending on guidelines set by HCA. **Classes will begin the 1st week of September, 2020.** Rojas School of Music is committed to following the Healthy and Safety Protocols set by Harvest Christian Academy. We are also prepared to move classes and lessons online if needed.

## Programs We Offer

Groups	Grade Level	Experience Needed?	Instruments Offered	Cost	Private Lesson Required?	Meeting Day/Time
<b>K-2 New Violin</b>	K-2	No	Violin	\$65/month	No	Wed 3:15-4:45
<b>3-5 New Strings</b>	3-5	No	Violin, Viola, Cello	\$65/month	No	Wed 3:15-4:45

## Next Steps

### Step 1

- Choose the appropriate group for your child(ren)
- Register Online: [www.rojasschoolofmusic.com/harvest-christian-academy-lantana/](http://www.rojasschoolofmusic.com/harvest-christian-academy-lantana/)

### Step 2

- All students will receive their material kits the first day of class on September 2, 2020. During the first day of class we will size all the students for their instrument. Instruments will be ordered and we will bring them to the 2nd class on September 9 where students will learn about instrument care.

**MATERIALS KITS:** The following items will be included in your child's materials kit which they will use for the school year.

	What's included in your materials kit?
<b>K-2 New Violin = \$26</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Just the Facts Violin Primer Book</li> <li>● Shoulder Rest/Sponge</li> <li>● Music staff lined white board w/ eraser &amp; marker</li> <li>● Cup, ball, pipe cleaners, stickers, pencil</li> </ul>
<b>3-5 New Strings = \$26</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Essential Elements Book 1</li> <li>● Shoulder Rest/Sponge (violins &amp; violas) / Rock Stop (cello)</li> <li>● Music staff lined white board w/ eraser &amp; marker</li> <li>● Cup, ball, pipe cleaners, stickers, pencil</li> </ul>

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## Details

- **How will you be charged?**
  - You will set up an online account with Rojas School of Music and monthly payments will come out automatically on the 1st of each month September thru May. We accept all major credit cards or ACH.
- **What about any books we need?**
  - Books will be charged to your account on file and delivered directly to the student in class.
- **How do we rent instruments?**
  - Rojas School of Music works with Williamson Music 1st to offer our students instrument rentals at discounted prices. Payments for instrument rentals will also be set up to come out automatically each month. Students are welcome to continue renting instruments through Rojas School of Music as long as they are enrolled in one of our programs or private lessons. Instruments will be delivered to students the first week of classes. For more information about instrument rentals see next page.
- **What is your commitment?**
  - Learning a musical instrument and how to read music is similar to learning a new language. It takes time, patience, consistency, and practice. For this reason, we ask students to commit to the entire school year when they sign up for our program. This ensures they have time to learn enough on their instrument to make a better decision about whether it's the right instrument for them or not. Orchestra is a "team" and we rely on all of the players to attend and contribute to the group for the year. If your child leaves HCA, please notify Rojas School of Music immediately.
- **What does your child do after class?**
  - Students will be walked to the front entrance where a parent/guardian should pick them up. Students MUST be picked up no later than 5min after their class finishes.

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## Instrument Rental Information

Instrument	Monthly Rental Cost	Instrument Purchase Discount
Violin/Viola	\$16	50% discount on instrument purchase over \$1000 after 36 months
Cello	\$36	50% discount on instrument purchase over \$2000 after 36 months

Rojas School of Music works with Williamson Music 1st to provide rental instruments at a discounted price for our students. Students can continue renting through Rojas School of Music as long as they are enrolled in one of our programs or private lessons. If you unenroll with Rojas School of Music you **MUST** return the instrument to Rojas School of Music otherwise we must file a claim with **Williamson Music 1st** to retrieve the instrument.

As students grow they will require larger instruments (string instruments only). Our teachers will monitor students and exchange instruments as needed. Parents/guardians are responsible for providing any instrument accessories the student may need including rosin, shoulder rest, rock stop, reeds, etc...

**Rosin:** Can be purchased on Amazon - any violin/cello rosin will do.

**Shoulder Rest (violin & viola only):** Can be purchased on Amazon. Shoulder rest size should correlate with the student instrument size. We recommend the Everest or Kun brand. Amazon also sells a thick blue shoulder rest sponge which is appropriate for young students. Students using a sponge will also need some rubber bands to hold the sponge on the instrument.

**Rock Stop (cello only):** Can be purchased on Amazon - search for “cello rock stop WITH STRAP”

