



2022-2023 Blues After School Commitment Form

Thank you for your interest in West Baton Rouge Museum's **Blues After School** program presented jointly with music educators from Rockin' Mozart Academy with support from New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Foundation. This commitment form must be completed by a **parent or guardian** for any child who wishes to participate in the program.

OVERVIEW

Blues After School is a music education program that provides free instrument and Blues band instruction paired with cultural, historical, and arts related activities and lessons on industry best practices for middle and high school aged students. No prior music experience is necessary. Students choose a primary instrument to study and participate in one-hour group lessons on that instrument once per week followed by one hour of cultural, historical or arts enrichment, September 2022 to April 2023. We will meet on approximately four Fridays per month from 4 – 6 p.m. The program will provide loan instruments during class time to participating students who do not already have their own. Students who already own an instrument should bring the instrument to class.

INSTRUMENTAL INSTRUCTION OFFERED

Guitar, Bass, Drums, Keyboard, and Harmonica

Students with Brass or Woodwind are welcome to bring them to class.

Vocals will also be a part of the program.

CLASS STRUCTURE

☑ Instrument and Blues band instruction will be from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

☑ The enrichment hour will be from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

☑ There will be one 10-minute snack break between classes. Snacks will be provided. Please notify of any food allergies or dietary restrictions.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

West Baton Rouge Museum is located at 845 N. Jefferson Avenue in Port Allen. Students must have reliable transportation to and from the program. Classes begin promptly at 4 p.m., and students should be picked up promptly at 6 p.m. A signed letter must accompany students walking to and from the program. A signed letter must be sent to authorize pick up by anyone other than the person(s) identified on this form. Arrival and departure will take place in the back parking lot of the museum located off Sixth Street.

Parents/Guardians are welcome to stay while class is in session. Parents/Guardians are also allowed to wait in their vehicles for the duration of class or find a comfortable spot on our 6-acre campus to spend the 2 hours. Parents also enjoy visiting on the Juke Joint covered porch area during class where they can peer in.

CLASS DATES (Subject to Change)

September 9, 16, 23, 30

October 7, 14, 21, 28 (Tentative performance Sunday, October 2 at SugarFest)

November 4, 18 (No class Nov. 11 Veterans Day, Tentative performance Friday, November 18 after class)

December 2, 9, 16 (Tentative performance Sunday, Dec. 4 at Holiday Open House)

January 6, 13, 20, 27

February 3, 10, 17, 24

March 10, 17, 24, 31

April 21, 28 (Tentative performance Sunday, April 2 at Eggstravaganza)

Spring performance and field trip opportunities will be announced at a later date.

