

# REBELS

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"Educating for the Choices and Challenges  
of Tomorrow"

I have been a student of Dr. Cayla Bellamy's in several of her courses, including her applied lessons, ensemble coachings, and independent study classes. Throughout each of these various environments, I have noticed common traits that have positively affected me in my secondary education and that I have brought with me into my personal work as a music teacher. Dr. Bellamy creates an environment of trust, safety, and honesty. I know that I can go to her when I have questions or concerns and be met with advice or just a listening ear. She is able to have difficult conversations and speaks without judgement or harshness, which builds a strong rapport within our individual relationships and within the class climate.

Dr. Bellamy is able to relate what she's teaching to other areas of music or to other disciplines, which is how I personally learn material the best. An expansive knowledge is essential to learning transfer theory, and she has been able to provide those connections when teaching. This is especially helpful in performance-based classes as every technique has a certain physical aspect to performing the action. Being able to fully describe what one should feel and hear is one of her strongest suits.

As a former student, I can attest to all the professional and personal traits of Dr. Bellamy which makes her a wonderful, empathetic, and strong performer-educator. She has been essential to my own education and I know she will continue to positively affect other students as well.

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