

**Two-Year Virtual Roundtable Discussions**  
**2021 Texas Association of Music Schools Hybrid Conference**  
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The discussion started with everyone introducing themselves and stating the institution where they serve.

We began with much discussion about the success of teaching and learning both virtually and face-to-face or a combination of the two at our various institutions.

Various virtual teaching platforms (Zoom/Teams/Webex/etc) were discussed with regard to audio and video quality. From here the discussion turned to a discussion of peripheral devices (microphones and video cameras) and software to assist with cleaning digital sound and video feed. This took quite a large amount of time, but was very informative. This part of the discussion was very specific with regards to devices and software for possible use when video conferenced teaching is needed.

The two-year members discussed what their institutions had been doing regarding teaching methodology and general campus protocols and where things seemed to be headed for the Spring 2021 semester and beyond.

We discussed various institutionalized protocols for mitigating COVID exposures specifically in music teaching and learning, like, practice room protocols, rehearsal hall protocols, cleaning pianos after use, controlling air quality, etc. We also discussed curriculum and possible changes that COVID might bring about and changes to teaching methodologies.

We discussed the Field of Study issues with regard to the future of the Field of Study, what might replace it, what are the issues with the current field of study, etc.