## Meet the District's Music Repair Tech: Bruce Belo

If you have ever walked down the hallways at the District's building, chances are you heard some sweet melodies being played from the music repair shop of Bruce Belo.

Bruce Belo is not only the District's repairman of music instruments, but a rather passionate musician who plays most instruments from trombone, to saxophone, to oboe clarinet, just to name a few.

Bruce is a firm believer that music is the strongest instrument that touches souls and that it is truly the universal language connecting all of us. Repairing music instruments is his way of showing the world his commitment to music.

At the age of 10, Bruce begin learning how to play the saxophone, and at the age of 13, he created his first band which played at a variety of venues such as country clubs.

After graduating from high school, Bruce was drafted to join the army, and due to his talent, he was selected to play the saxophone with the Army band.

Upon his return from the Army, Bruce was schooled by Allied Music, one of the largest music repair corporations and the largest music tools' supplier in the world. There, he learned from the pioneers of this field how to perform astounding repairs to some extreme damages to music instruments.

As an example, Bruce explained that the saxophone, being held by Bruce in the picture, belonged to a musician in Pittsburg who one day placed the sax behind his car, forgetting it, and then driving over it, smashing it flat. Bruce was able to "resurrect" this instrument and make it look new. No doubt, Bruce is a pioneer in his industry. He receives instruments for repair from all over the country from Symphonies from New York, to Chicago, to LA for musicians that played for Aretha Franklin, Phil Collins, Michael Bublé and many other famous singers. And if a soundtrack of a movie is recorded in the US, chances are, Bruce is the repairman for those musical instruments.

We are thankful to have Bruce to ensure that our students have instruments in good repair so they can achieve their Unlimited You. It is an absolute honor to have Bruce Belo in our team.

