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Looking forward, Dr. Folliard is committed to pioneering educational methods that leverage technology to foster creative and practical skills. His visionary approach not only enhances the academic landscape but also ensures that students are well-prepared for the challenges and opportunities of the 21st-century music industry.