Music Together In School

Key Statements about Music Together and Music Together In School

Here are some ways to describe the Music Together In School curriculum. There are also two statements that describe Music Together more generally (your "elevator speech"). We've included additional information about how Music Together In School is unique with regard to music development, school readiness, and family engagement, which might be of interest to a prospective school.

What is Music Together?

- Music Together is an internationally recognized early childhood music and movement program for children birth through grade two. Music Together programs are based on the recognition that all children are musical: all children can learn to sing in tune, move with accurate rhythm, and participate with confidence in the music of our culture, provided that their early environment supports such learning.
- Music Together offers programs for families, schools, and children with special needs, in over 3,000 communities in more than 40 countries around the world. The company is passionately committed to bringing children and their caregivers closer through shared music-making, while helping people discover the joy and educational value of early music experiences.

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General Statements—use one that resonates with you or that you think may resonate with your school prospect!

- The Music Together In School curriculum goes far beyond a weekly music class to become a powerful learning tool, supporting children's music development, their development in key early learning domains, and curricular goals set by your faculty. The research-based program also supports family engagement through take-home materials and provides professional development opportunities for classroom teachers.
- A pioneer in music curricula for early learning settings serving children from birth through Kindergarten, Music Together's innovative, research-based approach creates a developmentally appropriate, musically rich, and play-based environment that includes teachers and parents both in school and at home, regardless of their music ability.
- Music Together's comprehensive curriculum integrates easily into any early learning setting. Beyond helping children discover their innate musicality, Music Together In School raises the overall quality of a child's education by touching many important factors all at once: school readiness, family engagement, parentchild relationships, and teacher professional development.

- The Music Together In School curriculum is a developmentally appropriate music curriculum that not only supports children's music learning, but fosters children's growth and development in many areas essential to success in school and life.
- Music Together recognizes that Music Learning Supports All Learning®, so our approach goes deep and wide to bring a rich music environment to your entire early childhood community. Our comprehensive curriculum and proven program model can be integrated into your preschool and kindergarten classes to support the work of teachers, engage families, and give your children what they need to grow musically.
- Music has tremendous power to support the developing child. It forges unique connections in the brain and enhances a child's language, cognitive, emotional, social, and physical development, as well as their disposition to learn. Simply put, music learning supports all learning.

What makes Music Together unique from a music development perspective?

The Music Together In School curriculum is a non-performance-oriented approach to music learning that allows children to actively participate in informal music-making in their own way. Through our musically-rich song collections, children experience and play with a wide range of musical styles, tonalities, and meters, and with music from different cultures. With most children's music in our culture being in a duple meter and a major tonality, the Music Together repertoire offers variety to a child's musical experiences.

What makes Music Together unique from an early learning perspective?

Our unique approach provides opportunities for music exploration and experimentation that naturally support young children's school readiness. Through a developmental and playful approach, our curriculum can help to position children for academic excellence and intellectual independence, and pique excitement and curiosity for a love of learning. When Music Together is a part of your early learning setting, music isn't just fun—it's a powerful learning tool, too!

What makes Music Together unique from a family engagement perspective?

One of the hallmarks of the Music Together In School curriculum is the family engagement component. Music Together recognizes that children learn best when their parents and caregivers are involved in their education. Therefore, a specifically designed home component reinforces a child's musical development and learning at home. Every family receives a family songbook, a CD, and the ability to download or stream their music through our free *Hello Everybody* app so that families can share in the very same songs their children are experiencing in school—anytime, anywhere!