

Peninsula Music Together®

Welcome to our community of music makers! We are honored to be a part of your musical journey. Below is important and helpful information about what to expect in the classroom and throughout the semester. We look forward to creating a rich musical experience for you and your child this semester!



Semester and Collections: We have over 12 collections spanning three years. Every semester, we introduce a new collection. Children who have attended for over three years love to revisit the collection they started with. Listening to your music is Key! So much so we invite you to share your app login (see below) with all the **family members in your child's life**. This is the joy of family music at its finest!

Newsletters/Facebook: Stay updated with our monthly newsletters emailed out. Newsletters are also posted on our public and private group Facebook page, "Peninsula Music Together."

What is my login for registration, the make-up scheduler, and the "Music Together" app? These accounts will enrich your experience with our classes.

1. **Peninsula Music Together:** Create an account to register for classes, use the make-up scheduler, and mark an absence. You can also select to receive class notifications and reminders via SMS text messages and download the Lyric & Songbook version of the current collection. www.peninsulamusictogether.com



2. **Music Together World Wide:** You will use the same account login and password you created for the "Music Together" app and the "Family Music Zone." The Music Together App is convenient for having your songs available on your phone. The Family Music Zone is a website where you can download your songs to your preferred way of listening to music (Spotify, Apple Music, etc.). <https://www.musictogether.com/account>



FAQs...and important questions

Do you offer make-ups?

Yes! We offer unlimited make-ups. All make-ups must be done within the same semester as make-ups DO NOT roll over. If you know you will be absent for a scheduled event, please pre-register for a make-up. You can also mark an absence in the Family Portal if you registered on our website.

Can I bring visitors? Do you accept Drop-ins?

Please feel free to bring anyone involved in your child's life. We want to share this experience with them so they can be a part of your child's musical education. Children 8 months or younger and 6 years or older are complimentary, with a paid sibling. Siblings and friends between the ages of 8 months and 5

years are welcome to visit with a \$30 drop-in fee. Drop-in fees go towards our Scholarship Program and can be scheduled on our website.

Should I leave the class if my child screams, cries, or throws a fit?

Sometimes, children will throw fits. During this time, we ask that you don't leave class. Usually, your child will cry for a long minute or two but will come back to sing.

What should I expect of my child?

With adult participation, active listening of recordings, and at-home musical activities, your children will obtain the fundamentals of basic music competence, which we have defined as the ability to sing in tune and move with accurate rhythm. Basic music competence is a skill that nurtures creativity, self-expression, and confidence and supports social, emotional, cognitive, and physical development. While some children are spontaneous singers and movers, others are more reserved and quiet observers. Our classes are designed to accept all learning styles.

Why can't we talk in class?

Research shows that children cannot filter out your voice; therefore, if everyone else is singing and you are talking, your child can't focus on the curriculum.

Do you allow snacks and drinks during class?

Due to food allergies and sensitivities, we ask everybody to snack before or after class and to leave all foods and drinks outside the classroom. Contracted spaces do not allow for food in the classroom.

What if my child has a runny nose or a fever?

Please schedule a make-up class to help keep our class healthy and happy. We offer unlimited make-ups to be used in any of our five locations.

Are cell phones or cameras allowed?

We ask that cell phones be put away for class. Remember, this is a music class. If you need to take a picture, please be discreet and respect others' privacy.

My child always puts instruments in their mouth. Is this okay?

We don't have any problems with children tasting the instruments. Please make sure to use the "wet box" when they are finished and pick them up if they are finished so that another child doesn't grab it.

Do I have to sing or dance in class?


Research shows that your participation counts. While we have wonderfully trained teachers, they are there to serve as musical role models. Even if you think you can't dance or sing—your child does!

Does my child need to sit for 45 minutes?

Children are free to wander during the class as long as they are *safe and mentally engaged* in the activities. While running around on beat is considered engaging, if you find your child running around and not engaged, feel free to take the activity over to their child to include them or bring them back to the circle. Please don't hesitate to call or ask the teacher/director about your child's participation in class.

Do you do birthday parties?

Our teachers love doing birthday parties! We are happy to refer you to any of our teachers. Please email us your date, location, and teacher preference. We can then forward the info to the teacher.

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