

# WHY CHOOSE MUSIC?



## Music students have fun while they learn. They also:

- Experience joy making music with their friends.
- Express their emotions in an inviting and encouraging space.
- Develop musical independence so that music can always be part of their life.
- Build awareness and respect of all peoples through the study of music from many cultures.
- Improve in other academic subjects as well.
- Make lifelong friendships through musical collaboration.
- Learn how to work with others and champion their successes.
- Develop the skills and perseverance needed for success in every future endeavor.



In music, these students found a place where they belong and motivation to excel. Learn more about Emma, Jansel, Joyce, and Nicholas at [www.tmea.org/itstartswithmusic](http://www.tmea.org/itstartswithmusic).



## It's not just about a career in music

"The theory of relativity occurred to me by intuition, and music is the driving force behind this intuition. My parents had me study the violin from the time I was six. My new discovery is the result of musical perception."<sup>1</sup>

—ALBERT EINSTEIN, THEORETICAL PHYSICIST

"It is in Apple's DNA that technology alone is not enough—it's technology married with liberal arts, married with the humanities, that yields us the results that make our heart sing."<sup>2</sup>

—STEVE JOBS, APPLE INC. CO-FOUNDER

"I believe the foundation for any success I have had is derived more from my music education than my engineering study."<sup>3</sup>

—DAVID BORLAND, FORMER AMAZON WEB SERVICES DIRECTOR OF MACHINE LEARNING ACCELERATION

1. *Nurtured by Love: A New Approach to Education*, Shinichi Suzuki, 1969

2. *The New Yorker*, Steve Jobs: "Technology Alone Is Not Enough," October 7, 2011

3. Testimony to the Texas House Public Education Committee, March 9, 2021



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