



La música expresa lo que no puede ser dicho y lo que es imposible callar.

-VÍCTOR HUGO (1802-1885)

## ¿Por Qué Aprender a Tocar Música?

La Educación Musical en la Escuela es esencial para el éxito del estudiante tanto en la escuela como en la vida. Aprender música en la escuela ofrece la oportunidad de:

- Aprender las habilidades musicales que duran toda la vida
- Impulsar el logro académico
- Apoyar el desarrollo social sano y la calidad de vida de una persona joven
- Preparar para el trabajo del siglo 21

Visite [www.supportmusic.com](http://www.supportmusic.com) para descargar el folleto de Keep Music Education Strong (Mantenga una educación musical sólida) en español.

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Music and the arts are vital elements of the core curriculum.



- The U.S. Department of Education designates arts education as part of the core curriculum.
- A Gallup Poll revealed that 94 percent of Americans consider music to be a part of a well-rounded education.

For more information on the benefits of music education, how to support music in your community or to join a national network of music education advocates, visit [www.supportmusic.com](http://www.supportmusic.com).

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# Why Learn to Play Music?

Music education is essential for student success in school and life.



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“I think music in itself is healing. It’s an explosive expression of humanity. It’s something we are all touched by. No matter what culture we’re from, everyone loves music.”

-BILLY JOEL

“Music can change the world because it can change people.”

-BONO

“Orchestra and chorus are outlets for me. Playing my cello lets me express myself, and relaxes me after difficult school courses. Chorus on the other hand is also beneficial by giving me an opportunity to interact with my peers who have similar interests to mine. Without these classes I couldn’t do all this.”

-STUDENT, AGE 13

## Music education is a path to life-long learning and knowledge of self and culture.

### Music education facilitates student academic achievement:

- Improves recall and retention of verbal information
- Advances math achievement
- Boosts reading and English language arts (ELA) skills
- Increases average SAT scores

(Excerpted from “*Music Matters*” published by the Arts Education Partnership)

## Music education supports healthy social development and the quality of a young person’s life.

- Students indicate that arts participation motivates them to stay in school, and the arts create a supportive environment that promotes constructive acceptance of criticism and one in which it is safe to take risks.
- A Columbia University study revealed that students in the arts are found to be more cooperative with teachers and peers, more self-confident and better able to express their ideas.

## Music education prepares young people for the 21st century workplace.

- The skills gained through sequential music instruction including discipline and the ability to analyze, solve problems, communicate and work cooperatively are vital for success in the 21st century workplace.
- According to a 2008 report, employers identify creativity as one of the top five skills important for success in the workforce.  
— Lichtenberg, Woock, & Wright, 2008

“If I were not a physicist, I would probably be a musician. I often think in music. I live my daydreams in music. I see my life in terms of music... I get most joy in life out of music.”

-ALBERT EINSTEIN (1879-1955)

