



FALL 2025 CLASSES

For additional information and up-to-date schedules, please visit our website.

Monday

- 3:15 PM—[First Steps in Music](#) (Ages 3-5)
- 4:00 PM—[First Steps in Music](#) (Ages 3-5)
- 4:45 PM—[First Steps in Music](#) (Ages 3-5)
- 7:00 PM—[Intro to Ukulele](#) (Teens & Adults)

Tuesday

- 3:45 PM—[Musical Beginnings](#) (Age 4)
- 4:00 PM—[Intro to Guitar: Level 1](#) (Ages 6-9)
- 4:30 PM—[Eurhythmics + Melodica & Percussion](#) (Age 5)
- 4:45 PM—[Intro to Guitar: Level 1](#) (Ages 6-9)
- 5:15 PM—[Eurhythmics + Piano: Level 2](#) (Ages 7-9)
- 8:00 PM—[Intro to Guitar: Level 1](#) (Teens 15+ & Adults)

Wednesday

- 10:00 AM—[Music & Movement for Families](#) (Ages 0-3)
- 10:00 AM—[Music Therapy for Parkinson's](#) (Adults) In-person
- 3:15 PM—[Musical Beginnings](#) (Age 4)
- 4:00 PM—[Eurhythmics + Melodica & Percussion](#) (Age 5)
- 4:00 PM—[Group Percussion](#) (Ages 7-9)
- 4:45 PM—[Eurhythmics + Piano: Level 1](#) (Ages 6-8)
- 5:30 PM—[Eurhythmics + Piano: Level 2](#) (Ages 7-9)

Thursday

- 3:15 PM—[Musical Beginnings](#) (Age 4)
- 4:00 PM—[Eurhythmics + Singing](#) (Ages 5-9)
- 4:45 PM—[Eurhythmics + Piano: Level 1](#) (Ages 6-8)
- 5:30 PM—[Eurhythmics + Piano: Level 2](#) (Ages 7-9)

Friday

- 1:15 PM—[Music Therapy for Parkinson's](#) (Adults) Remote
- 3:30 PM—[Eurhythmics + Piano: Level 1](#) (Ages 6-8)
- 4:15 PM—[Eurhythmics + Piano: Level 2](#) (Ages 7-9)

Saturday

- 8:15 AM—[Eurhythmics + Piano: : Level 1](#) (Ages 6-8)
- 9:45 AM—[Music & Movement for Families](#) (Ages 0-3)
- 9:00 AM—[Musical Beginnings](#) (Age 4)
- 10:15 AM—[Intro to Guitar: Level 1](#) (Ages 6-9)
- 10:30 AM—[Eurhythmics + Melodica & Perc.](#) (Age 5)
- 11:00 AM—[Intro to Ukulele: Level 1](#) (Ages 6-9)

**Registration Opens
Monday, May 12**

Fall Semester Begins September 8
Enroll online, by phone, or in person

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: What's the benefit of starting with group classes before taking private lessons?

A: For younger children, our Early Childhood and Dalcroze-Eurhythmics classes are a fun, engaging way to encourage an early love of music and lay a foundation for success in later musical study. In particular, children who take these classes before beginning private music lessons tend to progress faster and experience less frustration when developing new musical skills than those who have not. For older students trying out an instrument for the first time, group classes offer a good way to do that before committing to private lessons.

Q: Do all group classes require a 16-week commitment?

A: Most classes are 16 weeks in length, except for some beginner guitar and ukulele classes that are structured in 8-week sessions. We also offer occasional mini-classes as short as 4 weeks. Visit our website for start dates and more details.

Q: What factors should we consider when choosing a group class for our child?

A: There are a few factors to take into consideration:

- Your child's interest: Do they gravitate toward the piano? Are they always singing? A class that aligns with the instrument(s) your child gravitates toward will generally be the most engaging.
- Your child's personality and characteristics: Some classes, such as First Steps in Music, are ideally suited for younger children who benefit from a more flexible environment. Others, such as group guitar and ukulele, are a great fit for older kids who are ready to delve into playing specific instruments. Kids will usually be the most successful in a class where the environment and expectations are aligned with a student's interest and stamina. Every child is different! There's no "right" or "wrong" place to be at a given age.
- Your family's scheduling needs: Some group classes are structured in 8-week segments, some are for a semester, and some assume a full-year commitment. When choosing a group class, look ahead to the whole school year and look for a class that's likely to fit your family schedule for the whole duration.

Q: Why don't you give refunds for group classes after the drop deadline?

A: As a non-profit, we try to keep class tuition at an accessible level. At the same time, we are proud to have some of the most qualified music educators in the area on our faculty, and we prioritize fair compensation that reflects their qualifications and commitment to WCMS. In order to do both, we can only run classes with enough enrollment to be cost-effective. No later than seven days out from the start of each class, we make a firm decision about whether to run the class based on how many students are enrolled at that time. This enables us to pay our outstanding faculty what they're worth without having to raise class tuition to levels that would make them out of reach for many families.

Q: What are class sizes like?

A: Our smaller classes have four to five students, while others can have up to fifteen. We plan class sizes with the goal of providing enough teacher attention and learning materials/space for each student to have an optimal experience.

Q: What should we do if we're not quite sure which class to sign up for?

A: There are two things you can do:

- Call and speak to our registrar, Samara Martin. She or another member of the staff will be more than happy to speak with you and help you find the best fit for your child.
- If you're undecided, come try out a class for free during Demo Week, which is held each year in late August or early September. Check our website for exact dates and details.