

WHAT DOES QUALITY SCHOOL MUSIC LOOK LIKE?

Every child can reap the benefits of music when communities and schools support a complete music learning framework.

Who

- ☞ Every student participates in and has access to music classes.
- ☞ Music classes are led by teachers specialized and licensed in music education.
- ☞ Community musicians and ensembles enhance student learning through in-school performances and coaching, school trips to educational concerts, and teaching artists.

What

- ☞ Music instruction each year is based on the prior year's learning.
- ☞ A variety of music classes meet students' educational needs and interests.

When

- ☞ Music is taught from kindergarten to graduation, throughout the year.
- ☞ Music is offered during the school day, when all students can participate.
- ☞ Music opportunities outside of the school day through community organizations, schools and arts organizations enrich a child's life and music learning.

Where

- ☞ Music classrooms are designed to meet the acoustical, space, storage, and movement needs specific to music learning.
- ☞ Instruments, music technology, and supplies are available and maintained so every student can actively participate in music-making.
- ☞ The "textbook" for the music class – the music library – is regularly updated.

Why

- ☞ Music provides a way for students to express themselves and explore creativity.
- ☞ Music learning supports brain development, student engagement in schools, academic achievement, and the skills sought after in workplaces of teamwork, communication, and problem-solving.