

The Importance Of Music Education

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Abstract: *By this article you can get information about why music education is important in schools.*

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1. INTRODUCTION

Learning music has many benefits for children. Music has the ability to:

- Increase self-confidence.
- Provide opportunities as an adult to participate in community bands or to play for pleasure.
- Teaching the virtues of delayed gratification, perseverance, and patience.
- Refine fine motor skills and improve eye-hand coordination.
- Teach abstract thought, spatial awareness, rhythm, patterns, and other mathematical skills.

Children who learn music learn that continued practice and hard work lead to great rewards - the drudgery of practicing the same song over and over again leads to the elation of mastering it, and then performing it for others. Learning to stick with a difficult task is a vital life skill, and translates to other areas in life.

2. METHODOLOGY

Music is a way to connect with other people Music education is also important because it will give students a way to connect with other people. Children are naturally very social, and it's important to encourage them to build relationships by providing them experiences to share with each other. Creating a school band or small ensemble, or encouraging participation in a chorus will allow children to work together towards a final product (such as an end-of-year performance). This encourages bonding and will provide students with something to reminisce on together in the future.

It has been proven time and again that having people of all ages play or listen to music together will help to create bonds. Having an impromptu drumming circle or listening to and enjoying a piece of recorded music can connect people through sound, singing and even movement or dance. Musical experiences such as these can bring back a fond memory or create new ones!

Music integrates many different subjects. Another reason music education is so important is that it integrates so many

different subject areas all at once. Not only will music education allow children to develop their musical skills, it will also give them the opportunity to work on their math skills, reading and writing skills, science skills, and history knowledge. For example, time signatures in music are an excellent way to incorporate fractions, and lyric analysis and songwriting will allow students to work on their reading abilities.

Additionally, having discussions about how instruments work will involve information on the physics of sound, and learning about music's place in society will shine a light on important historical events. If teachers are concerned about their students' skills in other areas of learning, they will be able to incorporate them into a music class with ease.

Music teaches discipline. Music will also teach children to develop time management skills and discipline. If students are expected to learn their instruments and practice outside of school, then they will develop the ability to create a practice schedule. They will be able to balance every other activity they have going on in their lives. Learning discipline and time management from a young age will have countless benefits on a child's future. For example, if a child develops discipline in elementary school, they will be much abler to balance the workload they'll receive in high school and excel in their classes.

Excelling in their high school classes may then allow a student to choose a reputable post-secondary institution that he or she would like to attend, which will lead to better job prospects as an adult.

Music can relieve stress. Finally, music is an excellent way to relieve stress. This is significant for students who may feel overwhelmed by schoolwork and try to balance extracurricular activities. Studies have found that music can reduce burnout and improve mood states. As students enter into the upper grades of the school system and begin considering applying for post-secondary schools, they might feel overwhelmed with the need to keep their grades high. Even young students can experience stress with the increasing amounts of homework school curriculums require. Some students may also have stressful home lives, and music will offer a way to escape from these situations.

In addition, you may consider Sound tracking your classroom to help relieve stress and anxiety for your students. Doing so can also help create a focused learning atmosphere.

Music has many benefits to people of all ages. It's important to know why so that we can continue to advocate for keeping music education in our schools!

Here is a list of the 5 most important reasons why music education is so beneficial to our students:

1. A Music Education program provides an aesthetic experience for its students. Often times, students will utilize music as an outlet for expression that is sometimes unavailable to them in other academic areas.

2. Musical experiences will provide the students with opportunities for emotional response, which often encourages the cognitive processes.

3. Music Education instills "life values" in students. Some of these include; discipline, cooperation, social skills, and building good character. Knowledge of music technology, music history, music theory, and music culture will reinforce knowledge in other academic subjects as well.

4. Music will often create a sense of school spirit, which will in turn provide the students with a sense of self-worth which will almost always reflect a positive attitude.

5. A good Music program will aid any school district in the direction to obtain the highest level of achievement and excellence deemed possible.

Although music is important for academic reasons, there are plenty of other reasons that are just as important. For example, participation in music also boasts social benefits for students. Music is an awesome way to make new friends. There has been a recent study dealing with the benefits of music. It was found that participating in ensembles was also perceived as an opportunity to socialize with people who have the same interests, and to make new friends and meet interesting people whom the students might not otherwise have had opportunity to meet. Every time a student is involved in music, he or she has the chance to meet new people and form lasting friendships.

Some people might not think that socializing is a big enough reason to keep music education in school. But there's another reason why music is so important: teamwork. Kids today are used to doing their own thing, and as a result, they are not developing the proper tools they will need in life when it comes to working together. Being part of any kind of 'team' that involves a certain degree of interacting with each other is a big part of character development. The more kids get lost in technology and in spending too much time alone, the more desperately they need to be experiencing.

3. CONCLUSION

Musical education has a big effect on the students' understanding and achievement in non-musical subjects. Although people are not so familiar with this finding, a ten-year study, which tracked over 25,000 middle and high school students, showed that students in music classes got

higher scores on standardized tests than students who had little or nothing to do with music. The musically-inclined students scored, on average, sixty-three points higher on the verbal section and forty-four points higher on the math section of the SATs than non-musical students. This is something to take into deep consideration, because when applying to colleges, these points could be the difference between an acceptance letter and a rejection letter. Different kinds of teamwork. Music as a learning tool is the perfect solution for that.

Music education is something that should not be looked at as a joke. When put into the hands of the right person it can be taken to a whole new level. To have music education as a part of the yearly curriculum shouldn't be a question. If more people knew the beauty and importance of music, the world would be a different place.

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