

Music and the Brain

Awaken your child's mind, health and creativity with piano lessons.

1. In a 2000 survey, 73 percent of responders agree that teens who play an instrument are **less likely to have discipline problems.** *“Americans Love Making Music - And Value Music Education More Than Ever”, American Music Conference 2000*
2. Students who can perform complex rhythms can also make **faster and more precise corrections in many academic and physical situations,** according to the Center for Timing, Coordination and Motor Skills. *“Rhythm seen as a key to music's evolutionary role in human intellectual development”, Center for Timing, Coordination and Motor Skills, 2000*
3. A ten-year study indicates that **students who study music achieve higher test scores,** regardless of socioeconomic background. *Dr. James Catterall, UCLA*
4. A 1997 study of elementary students in an arts-based program concluded that **students' math scores rose** as their time in arts education classes increased. *“Arts Exposure and Class Performance”, Phi Delta Kappan, October 1998*
5. First-grade **students who had daily music instruction scored higher on creativity tests** than a control group without music instruction. *“The Effects of General Music Education on the Academic Achievement, Perpetual-Motor Development, Creative Thinking and School Attendance of First-Grade Children”, K.L. Wolff, 1992*
6. In a Scottish study, one group of elementary students received musical training, while another group received an equal amount of discussion skills training. After six (6) months, the students in the music group **achieved a significant increase in reading test scores,** while the reading test scores of the discussion group did not change. *Journal of Research in Reading, Sheila Douglas and Peter Willats, 1994*
7. Students who are rhythmically skilled also tend to **better plan, sequence and coordinate actions in their daily lives.** *“Cassily Column”, TCAMS Professional Resource Center, 2000*
8. In a 1999 Columbia University study, students in the arts are found to be **more cooperative with teachers and peers, more self-confident and better able to express their ideas.** *These benefits exist across socioeconomic levels. The Arts Education Partnership, 1999*