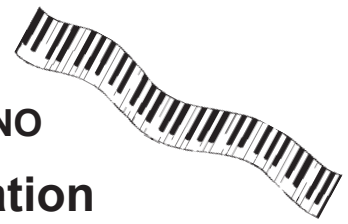




Modesto Junior College
Suzuki Talent Education Program - PIANO



General Information and Application

The MJC Suzuki Talent Program follows the philosophies inspired by Shinichi Suzuki's revolutionary methods for teaching young children to play musical instruments. Children learn music in a natural and direct way, very similar to the way they learn to speak. Suzuki's success has proven not only that children are capable of learning to play complex instruments, but also that they derive genuine pleasure from their music making. Most importantly, the enjoyment and confidence gained from success with music has the demonstrable side effect of fostering a strongly positive attitude toward other areas of learning.

The aim of the Suzuki program is not to produce professionals but to give children the experience of playing great music together and developing an appreciation and sensitivity for that which is beautiful and artistic in life. The Talent Education method is a philosophy of teaching based upon the following ideas:

1. It is the parent who is enrolled in the class, for it is the parent who learns how to help the child.
2. Children learn by listening and imitating the teacher and through selected recordings.
3. All compositions studied are memorized. Reading of music is not taught until a later date.
4. Parent's assistance with daily practice is of the utmost importance.

Student will need to have access to a piano (no electric pianos or keyboards). The Community Education fee for enrollees is \$25 per semester for group sessions. This is paid after your child begins the program. In addition to the group sessions covered by enrollment in this course, each child will participate in a weekly private lesson, which entails an additional monthly charge payable to the instructor. Information concerning those lessons and/or fees may be obtained by contacting Sharon Underwood at 521-5811.

There is sometimes a waiting list that can be up to a year long. Be sure to plan ahead and call early to put your child on the wait list or to see how long the wait is.

If you are interested in the Suzuki Talent Education Program, please complete the following application and return it to Sharon Underwood, 1521 Lenox Drive, Modesto, CA 95350.

Recommended Ages 4 to 16

SUZUKI PIANO APPLICATION

Date of Application _____ Preference of Teacher (if known) _____

Name of Parent _____

Address _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

email address _____ Do you have a piano? yes No

Child's Name _____ Birthdate _____

Additional Child's Name _____ Birthdate _____

School Child Attends _____ Child's Age _____

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