

A Time To Share

Young children have an innate friendliness. Their desire to be with others and their natural inclination to imitate come together to create an ideal atmosphere for acquiring musical skills. Interaction with parents, teachers and peers helps children succeed and gain confidence as they pass from one learning stage into another. The Yamaha experience provides you with the opportunity to share quality time with your child and explore the world of music together.



Junior Music Course: An Overview

- Age of students: 4–5 years old
- Course length: 2 years
- Class schedule: 1 hour per week
- Parent participation required

When parents attend class, they become active, effective at-home learning partners, and they enjoy spending fun time with their children.



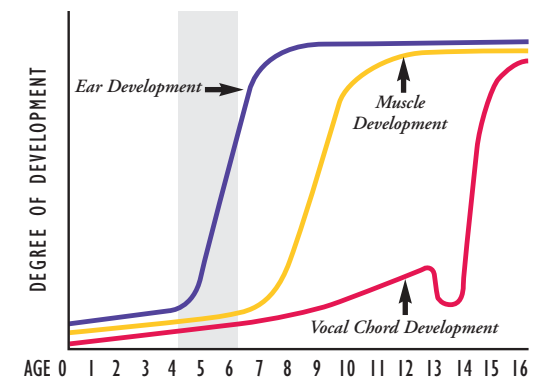
Junior Music Course

Discover the World of Music!



Learning is Natural the Yamaha Way

Yamaha created the Junior Music Course to help children develop their musical abilities and creative expression naturally. Young children hear and remember musical pitches, rhythm patterns and harmonies in much the same way as they learn to walk and talk. By making the most of their sense of hearing, which is at its prime at a surprisingly early age, the Junior Music Course guides children along the same learning path they have followed since birth. The results are a love of music and the development of their comprehensive musical abilities, including music reading and keyboard performance.





The Junior Music Course (JMC) Curriculum

The in-class musical experiences nurture your child's creativity. They also create a feel and an understanding for music, which instill the basis for playing and expression. The lessons include:

HEARING Listening to wonderful music helps children:

- Develop musical sensibility
- Develop an ear for music
- Feel and express music

SINGING Children love to sing!

In the process, they develop:

- Self expression
- Correct tempo, rhythm and pitch
- Understanding of note names



PLAYING Performing pieces on the keyboard introduces children to the joy of expressing music by themselves. Playing also helps students:

- Develop a sense of keyboard harmony
- Learn to read music
- Learn the sounds of musical instruments
- Integrate all of their musical skills

CREATING Junior Music Course activities stimulate and foster children's:

- Musical creativity
- Individual expression

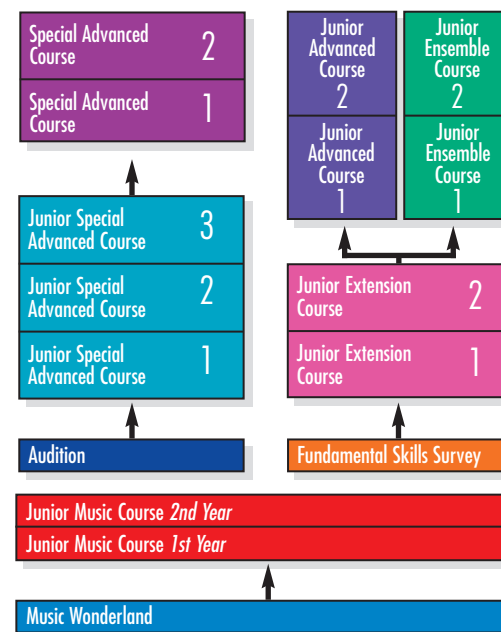
Yamaha Music Education System Teachers Are Dedicated

Yamaha teachers are eager to work with young children and their parents. Committed to providing happy, rewarding first musical experiences, these college-trained musicians and educators have passed demanding musicianship tests and completed rigorous training prior to certification by the Yamaha Music Education System (YMES).



Upon Completing JMC...

Once your child has completed the Junior Music Course, he or she will take part in a "Fundamental Skills Survey" to confirm his or her musical achievement. Teachers refer to survey results to correctly place students in advanced courses such as the Yamaha Junior Extension Course and Junior Special Advanced Course. As children develop more advanced skills, they are encouraged to express themselves by performing and composing their own music in programs like the Junior Original Concert.



An International Music Education System

When you enroll your child in the Yamaha JMC, you've chosen an excellent introduction to music. For over 50 years, Yamaha music schools in the United States and around the world have taught over 6 million children and adults how to play, appreciate and create great music. Many have become professional musicians and music teachers. Most importantly, they all develop a love for music.



Do Re Mi Fa So Much Fun!

Please call an authorized Yamaha Music School today to schedule a JMC preview lesson.