Learning Can Be Fun!
America’s #1 In-School Youth Program
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FACTS

• Music In The Schools is an annual event, held each February in celebration with Black History Month in America.

• Music In The Schools has celebrated over 46 seasons of inspiring children through music.

• Averaging two schools per day, there are over 20 in-school performances during the month of February.

• Ensemble Artists feature a Quintet: Drums, Bass, Piano, Sax, including a Poet and Narrator.

• Each February, up to 10,000 3rd thru 6th grade elementary students witness this awe-inspiring, multi-cultural presentation.

• More than a 1 million children have experienced Music In The Schools over its 46 season history.

• School Districts have included:
  Alief • Angleton • Anahuac • Channelview • Conroe Cypress • Fort Bend • Galena Park • Houston • Humble Katy • Mont Belvieu • Sheldon • Spring • Spring Branch

Don’t see your School District? We can fix that!
COMMUNITY NEED

In a multicultural community like Greater Houston, **Music In The Schools** provides a rich opportunity to bridge generations and cross all cultures using the performing arts as the medium. Elementary School students, in particular, need such connections to extend knowledge, deepen social confidence, enrich language skills, and develop a sense of moral awareness; thus increasing their capacity to learn. A student’s self-esteem is rooted in an understanding of his or her abilities and values.

**Music In The Schools** is a high quality, professional, in-school program, at no cost to the students. We want to ensure that elementary school children in the Greater Houston Community have access to professional musicians and art enrichment programs.

WHAT’S THE BENEFIT?

There is great value in the **Music In The Schools** because it provides this population of young people with a live, professional in-school program that has been described as a “Broadway” quality show.

**Music In The Schools** creates a seamless melodic connection across the decades, drawing in young listeners with visual literacy experiences, to increase confidence, knowledge, and the effective use of language skills. Students learn an “I CAN” message – “I can be an Engineer, a Teacher, a Doctor, etc...” that resonates the message that they can realize their goals through education and hard work.

Allow your students the opportunity to witness this thrilling and engaging school performance, and authentic experience of Jazz Education!
**HISTORY**

Founded in 1974, **Music In The Schools**, formerly known as the Jazz & Poetry Series, keenly introduces the historical and cultural relevance of Jazz as an American art form and a motivational gateway for students to explore ideas and challenge their imagination.

**STUDENT ENGAGEMENT**

Through live demonstrations and performances, students will have the opportunity to create their own musical composition through ensemble building and individual hands-on animated activities.

The artistry of **Music In The Schools** blends musical styles for students to:

- Practice elements of active learning to illustrate the evolution of Jazz.
- Learn the origins of music rhythms.
- Identify and compose rhythmic stories using beats and instruments.
- Share in the musical and social contributions of Jazz legends such as Louis Armstrong, Dizzy Gillespie, Arnett Cobb and many more.
- Enjoy a unique atmosphere through bold and inquisitive programming.

**EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH**

Music in the Schools has flourished over the past 46 seasons as an established source of student learning, entertainment and empowerment, accessible throughout the elementary school community in Texas.

Honoring an American invented sound, **Music In The Schools** defy simple description.
FROM THE DESK OF STUDENTS

“The poem “I Can,” ... made me have no doubt in my mind that ‘I Can!’ ”
Larry, 5th Grade, Lockwood Elementary

“Thank you for playing and teaching us about Jazz and Poetry. Also for giving us confidence to pass the test and telling us what Jazz is.”
Christian, 5th Grade, Blackshear Elementary

“Thank you for teaching us about Louis Armstrong & Stevie Wonder. Thank you for the laughs, and last-but-not-least, thank you for the treats.”
Sandra, 4th Grade, Parker Elementary

“After the program everyone was talking about how good the program was. I heard someone say that the program was the best I have ever seen... Another person said, I like the way Mr. Thomas got in front of all those people and stood brave and strong. I want to grow up and be just like him ...”
Alexis, 5th Grade, Bussey Elementary

Music In The Schools
PERFORMANCE CONFIRMATION

Signed form must be returned to Jazz Ed office to officially confirm and schedule performance.

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This is to confirm that the above-mentioned organization is scheduled for a Music In The Schools performance as detailed below.

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Performance Fee:

**Standard Rate:** One single performance is $300.00. Two back-to-back performances in a single day is $500.00. Additional travel fees may apply for school locations over 50 miles in distance from Jazz Education office. All fees are to be paid prior to the scheduled performance date or by arrangement in advance of the performance.

**Cancellation Policy:** If cancellation is made after February 1st, the school is still responsible for the Performance Fee.

Online payment available. For mailing, make checks payable to JAZZ EDUCATION INC. Mail to 6363 Richmond Avenue Ste. 306 Houston, TX 77057.

It is understood that the program will be held in the school auditorium and/or cafeteria for approximately 300 to 1000 students, or as discussed with Jazz Education office.

Performers will require 30 minutes to set up the equipment, 45 minutes for the performance and approximately 30 minutes to remove the equipment.

It is understood that select students and teachers will be invited on stage to play instruments with the ensemble. Audience participation is encouraged throughout the program.

If there are any questions, please contact Darnetta Nelson/Denise Kennedy at Jazz Education Inc. at 713.839.7000. We will be happy to help in any way possible.

**Denise Kennedy** 9/1/2019

Jazz Education Inc. Representative

School Representative

Date