



Piano & More Music Sponsorship Program

Dear Teachers,

Piano & More is excited to introduce our fully funded music program for title one students. We are currently looking for highly motivated students open to the opportunity to take private music lessons with our private music teachers via this sponsorship program. We believe every child should have access to a music education that fosters growth, discipline, and creativity. Please nominate the students that you know would take full advantage of a unique opportunity. Here are just a few attributes we are looking for that may help to provide further guidance as you make your decision:

- o Self-motivated
- o Respectful & disciplined
- o Student must be in good standing attendance in a title one school
- o Student must prove they are able to handle their current school workload (please verify that student transcript is C/75% or higher)
- o Must be referred by their current music and/or homeroom teacher
- o School must be located in Arlington or Fairfax county
- o Student must verbally commit to you that they will practice 30 minutes most days of the week

To apply for the P&M Music Sponsorship Program, please email INFO@PIANOANDMORE.ORG with the subject line "Student nomination: [student name] + [school name]". Please include the following in the email to be considered:

- o Student picture (to be posted on our website)
- o 1 page student essay: please write about-
 - student's desire to learn
 - what type of music student would like to learn and why
 - how student will be able to manage practicing instrument 30 minutes everyday with current workload
- o signed Parent Nomination Form
- o signed Teacher Nomination form

Here is what the candidates can expect from Piano & More:

- 1) A keyboard
- 2) Music books
- 3) Weekly lessons with one of our current, qualified Piano & More (P&M) teachers

Sponsors will select nominated students via our website. Once we have a sponsor, we will connect the student to a P&M teacher for private lessons taught at their school. Parents will be responsible for the transportation back home. We have attached a form for parental approval, but the student will remain accountable to you (their music/homeroom teacher). We appreciate your cooperation and partnership with us as we work to make music lessons accessible to all. We are excited to invest into your students. Feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions.

Thank you,
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PE&M STUDENT NOMINATION: TEACHER FORM

STUDENT NOMINEES MUST HAVE THE FOLLOWING QUALIFICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR SPONSORSHIP.

PLEASE CHECK OFF ALL THAT APPLY:

- ◇ STUDENT MUST BE IN GOOD STANDING ATTENDANCE IN A TITLE 1 SCHOOL
- ◇ STUDENT MUST PROVE THEY ARE ABLE TO HANDLE THEIR CURRENT SCHOOL WORKLOAD (PLEASE VERIFY THAT STUDENT TRANSCRIPT IS C/75% OR HIGHER)
- ◇ MUST BE REFERRED BY THEIR CURRENT MUSIC OR HOMEROOM TEACHER
- ◇ SCHOOL MUST BE LOCATED IN ARLINGTON OR FAIRFAX COUNTY
- ◇ STUDENT MUST BE WILLING COMMIT TO PRACTICE 30 MINUTES MOST DAYS OF THE WEEK

HOMEROOM TEACHER FIRST AND LAST NAME: _____

TEACHER/NOMINATOR PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

MUSIC TEACHER FIRST AND LAST NAME: _____

TEACHER/NOMINATOR PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

THE ABOVE TEACHER(S) WOULD LIKE TO NOMINATE [STUDENT FIRST AND LAST NAME] _____ FOR PIANO & MORE'S MUSIC SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM FOR SCHOOL YEAR (OR OTHER PERIOD OF TIME) _____.

ARE THE PARENTS OF THE STUDENT RELIABLE AND RESPONSIVE? LET US KNOW IF WE SHOULD EXPECT ANY OBSTACLES:

LESSONS RECOMMENDED TO BE TAUGHT AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATION (PIANO STUDENTS WILL NEED A QUIET ROOM WITH A KEYBOARD OR TUNED PIANO): _____

WHO DO WE CONTACT TO ARRANGE RESERVATIONS? PLEASE PROVIDE CONTACT INFO:

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE STATEMENTS ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND FULLY SUPPORT MY RECOMMENDATION TO INVEST A PROPER MUSIC EDUCATION IN THE ABOVE STUDENT. I WILL ENCOURAGE AND HOLD THE STUDENT ACCOUNTABLE TO REMAIN COMMITTED TO PRACTICING AND TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THIS PRIVATE MUSIC EDUCATION.

HOMEROOM TEACHER/NOMINATOR SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

MUSIC TEACHER/NOMINATOR SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____



P&M STUDENT NOMINATION: PARENT FORM (PAGE 1 OF 2)

Student nominees must have the following qualifications to be considered for P&M Music Sponsorship Program.

Please check off all that apply:

- Student must be in good standing attendance in a title 1 school
- Student must prove they are able to handle their current school workload (please verify that student transcript is C/75% or higher)
- Must be referred by their current music or homeroom teacher
- Student must be willing commit to practice 30 minutes most days of the week

Student nominees will work with their parents and teachers to provide the following requirements to be submitted into the program:

- Student picture (to be posted on our website)
- 1 page student essay: please write about-
 - your desire to learn
 - what type of music you'd like to learn and why
 - how you will be able to manage practicing your instrument 30 minutes everyday with current workload
- signed Parent Nomination Form (this form)
- signed Teacher Nomination form

Piano & More (P&M) Policies: (also listed on our website pianoandmore.org)

CANCELATION POLICY & RESCHEDULING INDIVIDUAL LESSONS- Both Students and Teachers are held accountable to give a 24-hour prior notice to cancel a lesson. If there is a 24 hours prior notice given to the Teacher, no violations have occurred. Lessons not attended by the Student without giving 24 hours prior notice to the Teacher shall be marked down as a NO-SHOW. We will forgive one NO-SHOW but they are not taken lightly. If there is a second NO-SHOW, the student's sponsorship will be immediately terminated. To give a notice within 24 hours, please contact the Teacher to reschedule and make-up the lesson for that week. All make-up lessons need to be taught before the month comes to an end. Each Teacher has selected days and times on which you can make-up a lesson. P&M has the right to deny or cancel lessons or programs/activities in case of safety concerns.

LATE ARRIVAL- Please do notify your P&M teacher if you are arriving late. The first time will be forgiven, however if the student is consistently late, we will have to terminate the sponsorship and look for another student that has more appreciation for the program. We are flexible and are here to help, but do not want to waste the opportunity if it is not appreciated.

INCLEMENT WEATHER- If your school is closed due to inclement weather or whatever reason, music lessons will automatically be canceled as well. Please remain available for contact in times of bad weather to see if you can schedule a make-up lesson with your teacher.

If you agree with the above requirements and policies, please sign and continue to page 2

Parent Signature: _____



PeM STUDENT NOMINATION: PARENT FORM (PAGE 2 OF 2)

Student Nominee Information:

Student Name (first and Last): _____

Parent/Guardian First and Last Name(s): _____

Student Address: _____

Parent Contact Phone: _____

Email: _____

Student Age: _____

School attending: _____

Lessons to be taught at the following public location: _____

Preferred Availability time (which days is the student open for after-school music lessons?): _____

Parents are responsible for transport back home from lessons

Is the student able to walk home? Yes No

If yes, do you agree to take on the responsibility that the student will safely be able to walk home?

Yes

Will the student have transportation back home after their music lesson? Yes No

If so, who will pick up the student? _____

Relationship to the student: _____ (please bring ID to verify with the teacher for the first day)

LIABILITY WAIVER / RISK ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Piano & More is a non-profit organization that seeks to provide opportunities for students that do not have the means for a private music education. The parent/guardian does hereby consent, gives authorization to, and release Piano & More and the public property venue from any liability. In consideration of the opportunity afforded, with full knowledge and acceptance of the risks associated with this program and any extra activities; and with full understanding of conditions and risks, I hereby release, indemnify and hold harmless Piano & More, its faculty/staff, trustees, officers, volunteers, and agents from all form and manner of risks inherent in, and from all claims, suits and demands of any nature arising from participation in registered activity/music lessons.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date: _____