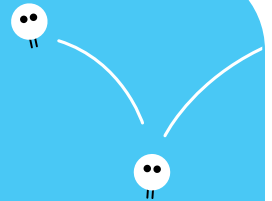


# Play Along

by Music  
Together®



## Raise the Overall Quality of Children's Early Learning through Music

Music Together® is a research-based early childhood music and movement program for children from birth through kindergarten—and *the grownups who love them*®! First offered in 1987, our music classes, curricula, and enrichment resources help little ones develop their innate musicality and much, much more.

When Music Together is offered by a school, music becomes a powerful learning tool. From private and public preschools, to pre-kindergarten programs, Head Start, childcare centers, and in-home daycares, our award-winning music and developmentally appropriate activities have been found to raise the overall quality of children's early learning.

### Alignments and Crosswalks

A wide variety of schools find Play Along by Music Together® to be an excellent fit due to our alignment with other standards, curricula, assessments, and philosophies, including:

- The Creative Curriculum® for Preschool
- Head Start/Early Head Start
- CLASS®\*
- ETERS/ITERS
- The Montessori philosophy
- National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) early childhood program standards
- Individual state early learning standards

Contact us at [in-school@musictogether.com](mailto:in-school@musictogether.com) for more information on these alignments.

(\*official crosswalk)

### Benefits of Our Research-based Enrichment Resources, Play Along by Music Together:

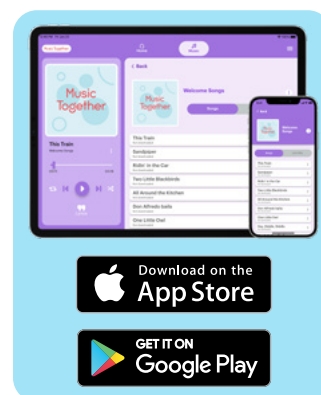
- Support children's development in key early learning domains
- Give teachers tools to enhance classroom life and reach curricular goals
- Support family engagement and parent-child relationships



Watch to learn more about Music Together® in school settings: <https://youtu.be/lchkW5S6yhQ>

# Play Along by Music Together®: An Innovative Music Enrichment Resource

Our music enrichment resource was created especially for classroom teachers. It empowers them to make music a part of everyday learning, harnessing its power to support students like nothing else can. Play Along has the flexibility to suit any school's needs, by providing classroom teachers with an easy and fun way to enrich their work with children—and an innovative way to support family engagement efforts.



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## Music and Materials

Play Along includes the award-winning **Music Together®** recordings, which can be downloaded/streamed using the **Music Together app**. Pitched in just the right range for children's voices, each collection is a mix of original songs and traditional tunes in a variety of genres, styles, and cultures, including folk, blues, classical, rock, jazz, and world music. Also included are music and songbooks for families to take home, developmentally appropriate activities to be used in class, online resources to support teaching and program implementation, and basic instrument kits for each classroom.

## Who We Are

### The Leader in Early Childhood Music Education

Our curriculum and enrichment resources have decades of research behind them, in both music education and child development. As the first organization to hold music classes for the youngest learners, and the first to include parents, we have been pioneers in early childhood music education since day one. And, because we recognize that children learn through play, we make music learning engaging and enjoyable for everyone. Read more about the research behind our program: [www.musictogether.com/about/research](http://www.musictogether.com/about/research)

### Our Reach

- Our independent center family classes can be found in more than 2,000 communities in over 35 countries.
- Our early learning curriculum and resources can be found in school and care settings across the US and internationally.

### Song Selection Process

We choose our songs carefully. Music Together® is committed to offering music that is respectfully rendered and that honors the past without celebrating the marginalization of others. As such, all decisions regarding song choices are informed by our Song Advisory Board, a rotating panel of experts who have knowledge and/or experience with music

*“This music curriculum has not only given the children a valuable musical education but also enhanced their cognitive, language, and physical learning. The recordings and songbooks that the families receive enhance and enrich the child’s educational experiences as well as the bonding between parent and child. Music Together® keeps the families more involved.”*

— Enid Forster, Head Start Education Manager,  
Family Services of Westchester, NY

from specific regions of the world, as well as expertise in the culture-related aspects of those regions. Each member provides information and guidance on appropriateness of songs for families in a diverse, global community.

### The Importance of Family Involvement

Our home materials, online educational content and activity ideas, and **Music Together app** empower families to make music with their child.

- Families can support their child’s learning and development in fun and developmentally appropriate ways—anytime, anywhere.
- Families know what their child is doing at school, and the learning that takes place in the classroom can be extended into the home.
- The home learning environment is enhanced with educational materials and activities.
- Families gain new tools for effective parenting (e.g., supporting transitions and routines, behavior management, supporting their child’s focus, etc.).
- Music activities encourage experiences that support sensitive-responsive parenting.
- Music is a way for families to have fun together and can help to relieve parental stress.

