General Class Guidelines





Welcome to your child's Music Masters class! Noted below are a few suggestions to maximize your enjoyment during class, and remember to tell us when your child has a birthday. We have a special birthday song and hand stamp! OR If your child has special needs. If your child is sensitive to touch or noise or something else, we want to know so we can adjust our approach to meet your child's comfort level.

TOP PLEASE DOS:

- Consider <u>taking the class again and again</u>. Those enrolled for a two year cycle from birth to 3 will receive 12 distinct curriculums and experience all the nursery rhymes recommended for entering Kindergarten.
- Make your <u>child the center of your attention</u>. Really participate throughout class. Every adult in the room is a role model for every child. Get to know other moms—just please do it before/after class!
- Place your child's <u>nametag so we can see it</u>—either on you, your Music-in-the-Box bag, or your child. That way the teacher can make each child feel extra special through the class by using their name.
- Encourage your child to remain on "your spot" throughout the class. One child roaming the room is an invitation to other children to join. We are always kind and supportive of a child's need to move, and do not require "sitting still in the circle", however, the materials we use in class should remain with you for their safety, especially when the child is on the move.

TOP "PLEASE DON'T BRING":

- JUNREGISTERED SIBLINGS/GUESTS: It is important to be fair to all our registered families; and we have limited materials to use for each class. Please do not ask your instructor to make an exception for non-registered children to attend with your registered child. Exception: infants in covered carriers may attend but must remain in the carrier during class for safety.
- J CELLPHONES: Phones should be turned off or silenced and put in pockets or in bags. If you would like to take pictures of your child in class, please ask permission of other parents. Full classes may not be videotaped due to copyrights. Please do not post pictures that include children other than your own on social media.
- SNACKS, TOYS, DRINKS: Don't forget to hide all toys, pacifiers, drinks and snacks. Out of sight, out of mind! Better yet, leave them in the car. The only thing anyone ever truly needs is a burp cloth or diaper. Food and drink are never allowed in the teaching space.
- F YOUR BLINDERS: Don't feel bad if your child is disruptive in class, we have all been there! It is OK to remove him/her from the room for a few moments. Be aware when most children are watching the disruption, or if other children are frightened by it, then, it's time to step out. We let our adults be the judge of what their child needs, but need your help to notice. And please don't let your child hurt another child, please be vigilant and help prevent such incidents from happening.
- PERFECTIONISM: Don't worry if your child doesn't always pay attention to the class or do everything perfectly. Experience shows us that after the 3rd class, your child will be naturally drawn into the experience. We repeat 30% of our program in each session for the comfort and mastery of all children. This is a proven technique over 25 years. Our goal is exposure at this age range, rather than performance.
- FILLNESS: Don't bring a sick child to class. Fever free for 24 hours is the general rule. Please do not bring your child if they are running a fever of 99 or over. Please let us know if you need the Virtual options by texting (847-287-6780 Ms Ginger) or (773-852-8374 Ms Erin) or (847-302-9820 Ms Leslie) at least 30 minutes before your scheduled class.