



Junior Program

For musicians **finishing grades 4, 5, or 6**, the **KISSM Junior Program** is the perfect place to **learn, grow, and have a blast with music!** Whether your child **loves to sing**, wants to **learn a new instrument**, or hopes to **improve their skills**, this program has something for everyone!

Choir lovers can refine their voices in an exciting group setting

Band students can start fresh or take their playing to the next level

Music enthusiasts can explore music in creative ways through a variety of musical instruments

Afternoon electives let students explore new musical adventures

With **amazing teachers, fun activities, and new friendships**, KISSM Juniors will leave **feeling inspired and more confident in their musical abilities**.

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KISSM Junior Program - Morning

Band – Discovering Concert Band

Get ready for an unforgettable musical adventure! Each morning, young musicians will dive into a **band class**, where they'll choose an instrument, learn to read music, and build confidence while having a blast! Every junior musician will also experience the thrill of playing in the **Intro to Band ensemble**, making music alongside their peers in an exciting, supportive environment.

Students will play in a **traditional concert band** setting with woodwinds, brass, and percussion. It's all about **learning, growing, and making music together**.

Instrument Rentals & Placement

All band students must bring their own instrument on the first day. Rentals are available through [Long](#)



[and McQuade](#), and if cost is a barrier, families can reach out—we'll ensure every young musician has the opportunity to participate!

If your student already has band experience and is ready for a more advanced ensemble, just let us know during registration, and we'll set up a **placement audition** to find the best fit!

Not sure which instrument to play? No problem! The week before KISSM, we're offering a **special instrument trial session** with our Assistant Faculty—perfect for students who want to explore their options before camp starts.

Choir – Finding Their Voice

Every morning, singers will jump into **dynamic choral sessions**, exploring two- and three-part harmonies while developing strong vocal skills. Through engaging activities and expert guidance, students will build **musicianship, rhythmic and melodic independence, and vocal confidence**.

From breathing techniques to vocal tone and expression, participants will discover the **fundamentals of healthy singing** while experimenting with different musical styles. Whether they're seasoned singers or just finding their voice, this program is all about **music, connection, and FUN!**

Percussion and Marimba Studies – Explore music and instrumentation

Exploring the many ways in which music takes form through **drums**, to **marimbas**, and everything in between. This exciting new Junior morning offering provides music education through a **relaxed ensemble experience** with no experience necessary and no band or choir placement session - just **straight into the fun on day one!**

Opportunities to try the **rhythm and percussion** section instruments show just how **fun and exciting** playing as a group can be!

Special Morning Music Exploration Blocks

To continue the morning, students will enjoy **2 special rotation blocks**, where they will **try new instruments, explore exciting activities, and grow as well-rounded musicians**. These hands-on sessions keep things fresh, fun, and full of musical discovery!



Afternoon Electives – The Fun Continues!

The excitement doesn't stop there! In the afternoons, students will choose **two awesome electives**, diving into new musical experiences, getting creative, and making unforgettable memories with friends. It's all about **learning, playing, and having a blast!**

Junior Program - Afternoon Electives

Elective A - choose one:

The Sound of Music: Youth Edition

The final collaboration between Rodgers & Hammerstein was destined to become the world's most beloved musical. Featuring a trove of cherished songs, including "Climb Ev'ry Mountain," "My Favorite Things," "Do-Re-Mi," "Sixteen Going on Seventeen" and the title number, The Sound of Music won the hearts of audiences worldwide, earning five Tony Awards and five Oscars. The inspirational story, based on the memoir of Maria Augusta Trapp, follows an ebullient postulate who serves as governess to the seven children of the imperious Captain von Trapp, bringing music and joy to the household. But as the forces of Nazism take hold of Austria, Maria and the entire von Trapp family must make a moral decision.

In this adaptation for pre-high school students, the content has been edited to better suit younger attention spans, but all the elements that make this show a classic are still in place. You and your students will be enchanted by the timeless story and the dazzling score, while at the same time learning about theater and its production.

Students who register for "The Sound of Music: Youth Edition" must register for this elective in both Elective A and Elective B.

Ukulele

Whether you're **just starting out** or already know a few chords, this class will **take your ukulele skills to the next level!**



Learn to read music and improve your playing, **master fun songs** you can jam to at home or with friends. **Pick, strum, and explore new techniques** in a supportive, fun environment. Best of all, **ukuleles are provided**, so all you need to bring is your enthusiasm!

Theatre Sports

Step into the spotlight and **live in the moment** with this high-energy, laughter-filled course! Build your **confidence as a performer**, sharpen your **comic timing**, and unleash your creativity in a **fun and supportive environment**.

Play **theatre games** that spark imagination and teamwork, Explore **fun improvisation skills** that keep you thinking on your feet. Strengthen **team-building** while making awesome new friends.

Whether you're a natural performer or just looking to **break out of your shell**, this class is all about **having fun, being bold, and letting your light shine!**

Quiet Koala

Need a moment to pause during the **busy camp day**? Quiet Koalas offers a **calm, supervised** space where campers can **slow down, recharge**, and enjoy an hour of **independent quiet time** each afternoon. Campers are asked to bring their own low-tech activities such as **reading, sketching, journaling, puzzles, or other creative projects** that encourage relaxation and focus. While this is not a teacher-led class, the environment is intentionally **peaceful** and designed for students who are comfortable engaging in **quiet, independent activities**. Listening to music with headphones is welcome; video games and other high-energy technology are not permitted. Ideal for campers who benefit from a **mental reset** before returning to the energy of camp life.

Best suited for campers who are able to work independently and respect a shared quiet environment.



Elective B - choose one:

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Guitar

Whether you're picking up the guitar for the first time or already have some skills, this course is designed to **take your playing to the next level!** Learn essential techniques like **reading music and tabs, picking and strumming**, while mastering the songs you love to play—whether it's at home, around the campfire, or with friends.

Guitars are provided, but feel free to bring your own if you have one! Get ready to **improve your technique, build confidence, and have a lot of fun** along the way.

Prerequisite: Everyone is welcome!



Active Fun and Games

After a day filled with music and creativity, it's time to **get active and have some fun!** This class is all about **blowing off steam** through **outdoor games** and **active movement**. You'll get to try new games, learn how to use equipment safely, and even come up with your own fun activities!

Get moving, enjoy the fresh air, and **connect with friends, bring water, sunscreen, and a hat** to stay cool and comfortable. Finish **the day with fun, laughter, and energy**.

Note: As this class is mostly outdoors, **weather may affect some activities**, but we'll always have a blast, rain or shine!

Step Into Band

Are you looking to explore the new world of **concert band** or would like to try a **second instrument?** Join Step Into Band to learn at an accelerated pace using our provided Plastic Band instruments. In a group setting, we will dive into fundamentals of **reading music, instrument techniques, and performing music together!** As this is an elective course, you are now given the opportunity to play in a band while signed up for any morning course of your choosing! This course is a **perfect jumpstart** for those who wish to join their school band programs in September.

This elective will provide an **introduction to concert band**, in a **relaxed environment**. It is a great way for students to test out their interest in band instruments, or joining concert band in the future.

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