

Northwest Music Mentors

Northwest Music Mentors is a Washington State 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation that works closely with music instructors in public schools to assist in the instruction and development of the student musicians who participate in those programs. We create partnerships between music educators and professional musicians, providing students with additional focused instruction in group settings during classroom hours.

Studies show that studying music has many positive effects on children. Music education affects mood, including a person's emotional and mental state of mind. Studying music has been shown to increase problem solving abilities, general aptitude, and overall brain function. Music also provides a creative output, and creates community, cooperation, and a sense of belonging and purpose.

But more importantly, music as a part of public school curriculum supports children as they progress through some of the most challenging years of their lives. Many students find that participating in school music programs provides them with a purpose for staying involved and engaged throughout school. We believe that every person should have the opportunity to realize their full self-expression, and Northwest Music Mentors helps to provide a path for those who find their self-expression through music.

By providing additional support to the music directors, we intend to help students grow as musicians, increase continued participation in music programs from year to year, and provide guidance for opportunities for different types of involvement in music once a student's secondary education is complete.

For more information on our programs, visit our web site at <http://northwestmusicmentors.org>, or email info@northwestmusicmentors.org.