



Our curriculum meets the Kentucky PreK and Kindergarten standards!

Domain Addressed

How the domain is addressed by *ABC Music & Me*:

Language/Literacy

Engages in oral exchanges about a topic with peers and adults

Listens to stories attentively

Retells story events in sequence

Develops phonological awareness and vocabulary

A new story and theme is introduced each month and students participate in a variety of **language-rich activities** in which they:

- Act out songs and poems using music and pretend play
- Listen to the teacher read stories aloud
- Listen to a recording of the story at home with families

Focused listening activities, rhyming activities, and song lyrics encourage students to develop their phonological awareness and sound discrimination skills.

Vocabulary increases by exposure to and repetition of a huge variety of songs and stories through the use of the **Vocabulary Picture Cards**.

Print awareness is developed through skillfully reading aloud. Students gain understanding of the meaning of symbols through activities that emphasize music with written notation.

Family Guides show parents how to encourage their child's listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills.

Mathematics

Improves spatial-temporal reasoning

Extends simple patterns

Activities improve spatial-temporal reasoning skills.

Children identify rhythm patterns in music and replicate the patterns with an instrument or with his or her voice.

Develops important math concepts such as: more, less, compare, match, etc.

Social/Emotional Skills

Shows self control: waits their turn, resists impulses, thinks before acting

Cooperates with others in play and group activities

Students improve their self control through frequent "shared instrument" play and group dance activities in which they must wait their turn and listen carefully.

Activities encourage students to:

- Respond to open-ended questions, express their ideas and wait their turn to speak
- Begin to understand the feelings, roles, or work of others
- Follow classroom routines and care for classroom materials

Health & Physical Development

Develops fine and gross motor skills

Coordinates movements in space to accommodate objects and boundaries

Controlled hand-eye coordination is developed through hands-on musical activities. In this purposeful and analytical process, the children control the speed, tempo, and the pressure of their fingers on the instrument.

Fine motor skills are improved through fingerplays and instrument play. Gross motor skills are developed through diverse movement games and cooperative dances

Social Studies

Knows similarities and differences among people (e.g., race, culture, language, gender, abilities)

Develops an understanding of community through the unit themes

Children are introduced to the cultures, communities, music, and stories of a variety of countries, including: Peru, Germany, Nigeria and more. They will explore a variety of genres such as folk, Latin, jazz, and classical.