

Music

All children, from our youngest to our oldest, have the opportunity to be a part of our music classes at Oak Hall. Early Childhood students attend music twice a week for 30 minute classes, while all other students Kindergarten through Eighth Grade have music class every single day.

Skills taught in the music classroom include: recognizing high/low, loud/soft, steady beat and musical symbols; vocal and instrumental exploration including recorder and Orff instruments; the reading and writing of rhythmic patterns; melodic training; staff reading; orchestra study, song studies of hymns, patriotic songs, and multicultural music; circle games and movement; and the study of composers, musical time periods and styles.

Students participate in various performance opportunities throughout the school year. All children at Oak Hall are a part of our Annual Christmas programs. Second – Middle School students also perform a full stage dinner theatre production in April. Early Childhood, Kindergarten and First Grade students present a Spring Showcase for an up close and personal experience for parents to join our music classroom for the day. Select students are auditioned and chosen to participate in a statewide music festival called Circle the State with Song.

Classes attend a variety of cultural and musical performances at our very own Goddard Center for the Performing Arts. Locally run, the Goddard Center's Outreach program is committed to helping expose local students to nationally and internationally known artists and performers. Recent performances include Andreas Klein (pianist), John Pointer (vocal percussionist), Elisabeth von Trapp, Tulsa Rock Quartet, Arnold Rawls (internationally renowned opera singer), a Chickasaw Indian storyteller, and the Dallas Children's Theatre presentation of "Stuart Little."

Music field trips are taken throughout the school year to give students a wide variety of live performance experiences. Fifth Grade and Middle School students attend a live symphony concert in either Dallas or Oklahoma City.