



Music Teaching Matters

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Welcome to **Music Teaching Matters** - your weekly collection of ideas, tools, strategies, and and inspirations from Teach Music 21C.



With June lessons just around the corner, it's time to think about wrapping up student lessons. For many music teachers, June includes a year-end celebration with a formal concert and reception for everyone. I look at June as the time to reflect on what students have done over the previous months and organize my thoughts into Student Report Cards to share with parents and students. Read [more...](#)

I hope you keep find lots to celebrate in your teaching at this time of year and all year long.

Cheers,

Merlin B. Thompson

Creator & Founder of Teach Music 21C

Summer Certification

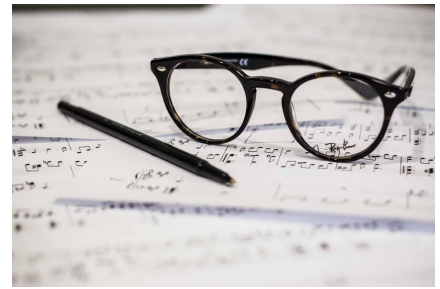
What are your summer plans for Professional Development? Would you like to enhance or expand your music teacher skillset? We have a July cohort and August cohort for Teach Music 21C Certification. Our five modules (each one hour in length) are designed to elevate your teaching and could very well be the most empowering investment in your music teaching journey. Hope you can join us...

Things I Wish I'd Know from the Beginning

- That students' practicing will ebb

and flow.

- It's a good idea to follow students' lead.
- That quiet students may have a lot to say.



Teach Music 21C Podcasts

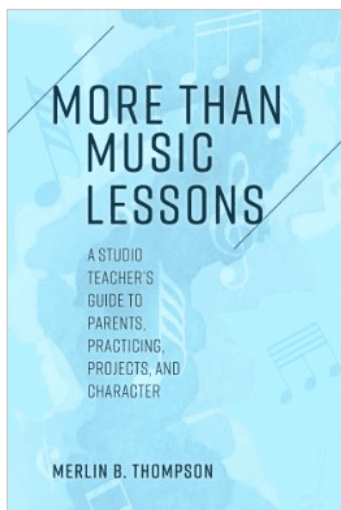
Podcast #27 Real Life Students. Join Merlin B. Thompson and Lorrie Merrell as they explore the characteristics of real life music students and consider strategies for teaching with diversity in mind. Available on [Youtube](#), [Spotify](#), and [Apple Podcasts](#).



Certification Testimonial

Testimonial from Laurence: "Teach Music 21C Certification is a long awaited breath of fresh air. It is exactly what I needed for my music studio. Students have loved absolutely everything I have tried from this course. I highly recommend TM21C Certification to all teachers!"

"More than Music Lessons"



Teaching Tip

Use Student Report Cards to track student progress and teacher effectiveness.

1. Include pertinent information.
2. Refer to previous year's Student Report Cards.
3. Adjust as necessary.

(Kindle & paperback available on [Amazon](#) & from the publisher [Rowman & Littlefield](#).)

Upcoming Dates

Wednesday, May 29

Presentation for Suzuki Association of the Americas

Saturday, June 1

Presentation for Calgary Music Teachers

Sunday, June 16

Presentation for Texas Music Teachers Conference

Friday & Saturday, July 5 & 6

Presentations for Canada Federation of Music Teachers

Teach Music 21C Certification Summer Schedule

July Schedule: Our one-hour modules take place Monday July 8, Thursday July 11, Monday July 15, Thursday July 18, and Monday July 22.

August Schedule: Our one-hour modules take place Wednesday August 14, Thursday August 15, Friday August 16, Monday August 19, and Tuesday August 20.

[Click here](#) to register for the timeline that works for you. The summer months are just around the corner.

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