



Music Teaching Matters

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Welcome to **Music Teaching Matters**: resources for music teacher support and inspiration from Teach Music 21C.



I really appreciate this time of the year. With the holiday break just weeks away, the pace in my studio has slowed down. The big concert was a success in November. An informal family concert held online at the beginning of December brought everyone together. Now it's time for reflection and looking back with students and parents to examine what's happened over the past months. [Read more...](#)
All the best in your teaching!

Merlin Thompson

Creator & Founder of Teach Music 21C

Today's Question

***Work Hard
Work Smart***

How can music teachers make sure students know the difference?

Podcast Recommendation

Be sure to check out the most recent podcast from **Sounds of Encouragement**. Host Melissa Slocum is joined by Merlin Thompson as they explore the many sides of encouragement. They talk about everything from teacher burnout to the pandemic to music teacher support and more. This



informative get together will get you thinking.
[Click HERE](#) for all platforms.

At Teach Music 21C

We see **music making** is more than the notes on a page or the techniques we master. It's about how music **enriches our lives**. How it connects us to ourselves and to others. How it serves as a tool for **personal awareness** and wellbeing.

Through music making, students learn how to be more present, how to channel emotions, how to **find peace**, and how to express themselves. Music making provides a space for reflection, **mindfulness**, and endless personal exploration.

We imagine a world where every person see themselves as a music maker.

TM21C Certification - Schedule NOW



Here's a quick reminder of what Teach Music 21C Certification has to offer. We'll help you feel more comfortable with -

- * Trying **new things**.
- * Unlocking the potential of **diverse students**.
- * **Solving problems** you thought had no solutions.
- * Inspiring **excellence** in uncharted musical terrains.
- * Teaching **real life students** who live in the real world.

We can't wait for you to join our community!
Our next Certification cohorts have start dates in **January and February 2025**.

[Click here to Register NOW!](#)

Upcoming Dates

January 9: 10-11 a.m. Calgary time

"The Chill Out Concert" - Presentation for Calgary ARMTA members

January 10

"What I Wish I'd Known from the Start" - Presentation for West Central Branch of the SRMTA.

January 13

Start date for the next Certification program

Register [TODAY](#) and reserve your place. Spots are limited.

Questions, Thoughts

Do you have questions?

Would you like more info?

How about chatting with Merlin Thompson?

Schedule your **Conversation with Merlin** [HERE](#).

It's 100% FREE.

What about ideas or thoughts you'd like to share? SEND me a message!



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