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# **STE BEGINNER PROGRAMME**

(STE = Society for Talent Education. Please read Page 1 and complete and submit the last two pages)

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Dr. Suzuki for giving us his wonderful philosophy of educating children. It is our goal as teachers and you as parents to provide the best environment – so that all students can develop ability at a high level. We recognize that it is our responsibility to educate our children with respect and love.

You are about to embark on one of the most important journeys you will make with your child. You are making a wonderful investment in your child's future should you decide to embrace the Suzuki method. The Suzuki Method is a challenging, creative and innovative way to realize your child's full potential as a loving, respectful and self-fulfilled human being.

It takes more than money to guarantee success. It takes a daily commitment and a willingness to give of yourself. Suzuki parents are dedicated and willing to actively participate. They believe deeply in the value of a musical education and understand that they are to become a big part of that education. That is why you have inquired about our Suzuki programme.

Please find attached an application form for the beginner programme. We request that you fill it out and return it by Feb 10 in order to be a part of the beginner programme.

## **Requirements (and Recommendations) for Registration**

(You will be considered confirmed for fall registration, pending completion of all requirements)

- Attend one Learn-with-Love session (Feb 11, Mar 17, Apr 28, Sep 28)
- Fill out the beginner application form and submit it with the fee
- Attend the 3 “more in-depth, detailed” parent orientation sessions, held at the school on Mondays from 6-7pm on the following dates: April 30, May 7 and May 14. These parent orientation sessions will outline the Suzuki philosophy, the teaching method, observations, how to set up the home environment, useful practice techniques and instrument care and purchase. These sessions are for parents only (please make arrangements for child care).
- You (+ your child) are required to observe a minimum of 3 concerts/groups/recitals.
- You (+ your child) are required to observe a minimum of 3 individual lessons taught by your assigned instructor.
- Read Dr. Shin'ichi Suzuki's book “Nurtured by Love” and you are encouraged to read the other books that will be offered/presented in the parent sessions.
- Begin a listening programme with your child during the summer.
- Two websites for info - Society for Talent Education website: [ste-suzukistrings.org](http://ste-suzukistrings.org) and the Suzuki Parent website is: <http://www.suzukiparent.ca/>

We welcome you as you begin this exciting musical journey with your son or daughter!  
Nancy Sang, Administrator and Cherie Larson, Music Director

*“If love is deep,  
much can be accomplished”*

*Dr. Shinichi Suzuki*