

Dear Elected Officials of Stamford,

I hope this message finds you well. I am reaching out to in regards to the concerning news about the proposed cuts to the Elementary Instrumental Music Program in the Stamford district. As educators, we understand the value that music education brings not only in developing musical skills but also in enhancing overall academic achievement. Research shows that learning to play an instrument can improve cognitive development, focus, and discipline among students.

As a parent, I believe that preserving the Elementary Instrumental Music Program is crucial for the holistic development of our children. I speak on behalf of my daughter when I say, it provides her with a creative outlet, fosters teamwork, and cultivates a love for music that can last a lifetime. The benefits of music education extend far beyond the notes on a page, enriching students' lives in profound ways.

I encourage you to explore other potential avenues to save cost for taxpayers rather than sacrificing opportunities for our youth to develop and grow. Please advocate for the continuation of the program. Your support and collaboration in this effort are invaluable.

Thank you for your attention and service to our city.

Warm regards,

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