

# Music Resources

The Music Education resources listed below are instructional and can be utilized directly with students while others are designed to assist teachers in preparing for delivering instruction. Links may lead to additional lists of resources curated by professionals in the field.

If you have any questions about these or other resources, contact David Deitz at [c-odeitz@pa.gov](mailto:c-odeitz@pa.gov).

## Preparing to Teach Online General Links for Educators

### [Preparing to Teach Online](#)

Move from “[overwhelm to confidence](#)” in teaching online. In addition to free arts and arts integration resources, the guidebook “[Teaching Online](#)” addresses systems and setup, tools to consider, and best practices for teaching online.

### [Resources for Teaching Online Due to School Closures](#)

Here’s a blogpost with easy-to-understand procedures and accompanying sources to help teachers get started with online learning.

### [How to Teach Virtually...in Under 30 minutes](#)

This YouTube video provides helpful suggestions to persons new to online teaching.

### [Teach from Home](#)

A well-organized step-by-step guide of practical ideas and tools.

### [How to make videos, screen recordings in less than 6 minutes](#)

The title says it all!

### [Teaching Effectively During Times of Disruption](#)

This document offers suggestions regarding online tools and teaching style options for shifting to online instruction.

### [How to Get a Free Zoom Account](#)

It’s easy to videoconference with your students through [Zoom](#), and right now accounts are free. There are many [videos](#) you can use to [learn how to use Zoom](#).

### [Canvas](#)

This free online learning platform features a variety of course management tools, including videoconferencing, resource sharing and mobile apps for students.

## \Preparing to Teach Online General Information for Music Educators

### [Guide to Remote Music Education](#)

Here's a quick go-to list of ideas and software/apps you can use to stay connected and encourage student progress in music learning.

### [Questions to consider when faced with distance learning situations](#)

Technology is only part of the solution. What questions should you consider as you plan online instruction?

### [When You Have to Teach Elementary Music from Home](#)

These resources address what you as the teacher will need, what your students will need, and what to do when there is no internet at home.

### [Navigating the Digital Rehearsal](#)

This blog presents a variety of ideas and technology resources for keeping music ensembles "rehearsing"

### [Free Looping and Beat-Making Sites](#)

This Google Doc lists easy-to-access and use tools for creating music digitally.

### ["Survival" Doc for Music Teaching](#)

This list of (mostly) free resources includes links to technology, video, lesson plans and free professional performances, as well as addressing topics like assessment ideas and choral-specific concerns.

### [Sight Reading Factory](#)

This interactive sight-reading tool can be used virtually on any device and allows the user to generate infinite amounts of unique sight reading exercises for piano, guitar, voice, strings, woodwinds, brass, and percussion. (If your school will be closed due to the COVID-19 virus and you'd like to take advantage of this offer of free student accounts during the time your school is closed, please write to [support@sightreadingfactory.com](mailto:support@sightreadingfactory.com).)

## Multiple Arts Resource List Dance, Media, Music, Theatre, Visual Art

### [Arts Instructional Resources](#)

The [State Education Agency Directors of Arts Education](#) provides a Google Doc list of free resources for dance, media arts, music, theatre and visual art.

### [50 Online Art & Music Resources](#)

This resource sorts art and music resources by grade band levels: early childhood, elementary, and teen. The offerings are diverse and useful for both teachers and students.

### [All the Ideas....in One Place](#)

This [Google Doc](#) offers resources in music, art/creation and movement.

## Curriculum Resources for Music Educators

### [Virtual Learning Resources for Music Educators](#)

The [National Association for Music Education](#) (NAfME) offers a list of free resources for performing ensemble, classroom and private lesson teaching as well as collegiate concerns, professional development and an online “how-to” [webinar](#) for music. NAfME also includes a “[Teaching with Primary Sources Curriculum Units for the 2014 Standards](#)” page on their website.

### [Pennsylvania Music Educators Association \(PMEA\) Virtual Music Learning](#)

PMEA provides lists of practical resources at this site, and also at

Sample Resources for Teaching Music Online, [Part 1](#) and [Part 2](#),  
[Teaching Online Lessons Basics 101](#)  
[Teaching Music from Home Ideas](#)

### [Little Kids Rock](#) (Modern Band)

Little Kids Rock prepares K-12 music teachers and general education classroom teachers to offer [Modern Band](#) programs at their schools. The [Free Resources](#) provide teaching resources, lesson plans and song charts available online. The [School Closure Resources for Teachers](#) features vast online tools to provide authentic music making experiences for students in addition to [daily 30 minute lessons](#) suitable for students for all ages.

### [TeachRock](#)

The TeachRock project brings multimedia educational materials to teacher and students in an arts-integration format. The [Distance Learning Project](#) activities can be sent directly to students.

### [Music Educators Creating Online Learning](#)

Sharing with colleagues in a Facebook support group is a great way to get the information you need!

### [National Association of Music Merchants \(NAMM\) Educator Resources](#)

NAMM provides two unique webinars to support online teaching:

[Making Music Online: How To's for Private and Group Lessons](#)  
[Teaching and Learning Music Online](#)

### [Carnegie Hall Online Resources](#)

A variety of classroom resources (mostly orchestra-related but some K-2 multicultural lessons and materials), master-class videos and teacher professional development programs can be found here. Access links to [Quavermusic](#), [SmartMusic](#) (here's a [video training](#) for SmartMusic) and [MusicFirst](#) curriculum management platforms are also available.

Choral Resources (but not necessarily limited to choral music instruction!)

The following resources provide ideas and resources to keep singers/performers connected to each other in musically purposeful ways.

[Taking Your Choir Rehearsal Online](#)

[The Chorus Room](#)

Pick a part and sing along (several YouTube examples; there are MANY more)

[Morley](#)---[Gjelo](#)---[Palestrina](#)---[Bruckner](#)---[Whitacre](#)

[10 ideas for Choir Directors to Stay Connected During the Pandemic](#)

[High School Choir Online Learning Options: Growing as Musicians](#)

[Resources for Choral Professionals During the Pandemic](#)

[How to create a virtual choir with free GarageBand template](#)

### [The Ultimate List of Online Music Education Games](#)

Don't let the word "games" fool you! There are student and teacher resources for aural training, composers, composition, instruments, notation, symbols/vocabulary and "variety."

## STEAM

### [Free arts integrated online learning experiences for students](#)

Several arts-integrated lessons with online materials are provided by EducationCloset.

### [Creative Experience for Anywhere and Anytime](#)

EducationCloset offers an interactive infographic to select arts-integrated online lessons.

## Professional Development for Music Educators

[NAfME Professional Development Webinars](#) (free)

[NAfME Journal Articles](#) (with quiz and clock hours, free)