

Piano Maestro **A Parent's Guide**



It has been fun watching your child improve their piano skills all while having fun using Piano Maestro in lessons each week! As your child's teacher, I'm looking forward to seeing the progress they will make when they start using it at home each day. This guide will help you understand how this app will benefit your child and how to get it set up on your own iPad.

Overview

What is Piano Maestro?

Piano Maestro is the ultimate piano practice tool that will have your kids quickly playing their favorite classical, pop and rock songs. It is now FREE for your child, just make sure they are connected to me to receive full access to all content. Available on the iPad, you can download Piano Maestro from the App Store.

What skills does it improve?

- Note reading
- Sight reading
- Rhythm
- Two-hand coordination
- Scales
- Confidence

What makes it so fun?

- Upbeat background tracks
- Stunning graphics
- Instant rewards and feed back
- Satisfaction of playing REAL music

It works with an acoustic piano?

Yes! Your child practices on your real acoustic or digital piano. Piano Maestro listens from the iPad's built in microphone. No wires needed.

I'm already paying for lessons and books. What value does this add?

Sometimes I wish I could be there with your child to encourage them to keep practicing daily. I'm sure it's not always easy, as unforeseen challenges will arise. Since our time each week is just too short, this app will be my eyes and ears during

the week and it will keep them practicing longer, improving more quickly. I'll also be able to share highlights and videos so you can see first-hand how your child is progressing!

How will it be used in lessons?

I will use the app as an essential part of each lesson helping your child master a couple of new songs all while having fun! I will also teach them how to use the practice options at home. At the end of the lesson, we will choose Home Challenge assignments within the app that will show up in your account at home. I'll get weekly progress reports to see how well your child's practice time is going.



Getting Started

Wow, this sounds awesome. Now, how do I get started?

- 1) **Download Piano Maestro** on your iPad from the AppStore
- 2) **Create a JoyTunes account** with a parent's email, under which, you can have multiple profiles for each member of the family.
- 3) **Create a profile** for *each* family member (that means you too Mom and Dad!) inside the Parent/Teacher zone (top right hand corner of main screen)
- 4) **Connect to your teacher, me!** After creating a profile in the "profiles" tab of the parent/teacher zone select the students profile and hit "connect to teacher". Once I approve connection to your child, they will receive full access to all content for FREE! I will then also begin receiving weekly progress reports.
- 5) **Start Playing** – I will now start assigning you homework, meanwhile get started on Journey Mode.