



Benjamin Franklin Classical
Charter Public School

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And the “Best Community for Music Education” Is....

The NAMM foundation has announced the results of the ninth annual “Best Communities for Music Education” survey, which collected information from schools all across the U.S. last winter. The result: The Benjamin Franklin Classical Charter Public School in Franklin Massachusetts, earned the highest recognition to be one of the top 100 schools in America who is committed to the inclusion of music education as part of the overall curriculum.

The charter school had answered detailed survey questions about funding, enrollment, student/teacher ratios, music class participation, instruction time, facilities, support for the music program, private music lesson participation and other relevant factors in their music education program. Then the NAMM Foundation joined by several other advisory organizations in the fields of music and education, reviewed and correlated the responses and they determined this Franklin charter school was amongst the richest for music education and support. The NAMM Foundation supports research that reveals strong correlations between quality music education in school and academic achievement and they feel that The Benjamin Franklin Classical Charter Public School has good reason to “blow their own horn!”

Rick’s Music Shop in Franklin Massachusetts, was asked by NAMM in California, to present a plaque of recognition to the BFCCPS’s Music Director, Mr. Ben Benjamin and the school’s Head of School, Dr. Kevin O’Malley.

BACKGROUNDER: The Benjamin Franklin Classical Charter Public School (BFCCPS) was founded in 1995 and currently enrolls 417, K-8 Massachusetts students. Using state of the art instructional strategies, the classical BFCCPS education offers Theater Arts, Fine Arts, nationally recognized French, Latin, Instrumental Music and Choral programs, as well as a core curriculum that is aligned with Massachusetts Frameworks. This free public school achieves impressive results by embracing a unique philosophy of developing both the mind and the character of its student body; they recognize the vital role of parents, they teach the full scope of classical studies and encourage social responsibility.

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