OUR STUDENTS
Students by Race / Ethnicity, 2016-2017

- Latino/a: 35%
- African-American: 54%
- White: 7%
- Other: 4%

Students by Age Group, 2016-2017

- K through 3rd: 19%
- 4th through 6th: 40%
- 7th and 8th: 24%
- High School: 17%

OUR NEIGHBORHOODS

- Newhallville: 14%
- Other: 14%
- Fair Haven: 10%
- The Hill: 19%
- West Rock: 8%
- Dwight: 7%
- Edgewood: 4%
- Beaver Hills: 4%
- Dixwell: 20%

NOTE: Student demographic and neighborhood data excludes our refugee violin class.

OUR RESULTS
This year, more than 90% of our students & parents reported they:

- ...were comfortable working in a team setting.
- ...believe they can succeed at any goal they set their mind to.
- ...have seen their skills improve this year.
- ...think their Music Haven teachers are good role models.
- ...are motivated to work harder at things they want to accomplish.
- ...are comfortable working with / connecting to adults.

More than 60% our students live in the Hill, Dixwell, Newhallville, and Dwight, which have some of the city's highest child poverty and crime rates, and lowest levels of educational attainment and employment.

Results reported through comprehensive end-of-year evaluations completed by students and parents. Programmatic benchmark is to exceed 75% in all areas.
“I learned how to successfully work with people I don’t typically associate with. I also learned how to be more responsible.”

“Playing the violin makes me feel good about myself.”

“When I grow up I want to be something and this can help me get there.”

“Music Haven helps me calm down when I’m stressed out. It helps me put joy in my heart.”

“I learned patience, to listen more, and to try hard and never give up.”

“I’ve learned how to not be so stressed about not getting something very quickly, and that not everything is easy to understand.”

“I am improving each time I come here.”

“This year I learned how to read music.”

“I am proud this year that I learned how to hold the bow perfectly.”

“Music Haven taught me to be patient when learning new things. You won’t always catch on the very first time and it doesn’t mean that you failed just because you didn’t get it.”

“This year I learned to challenge myself because I played a piece that I didn’t think I could play, and it worked out.”

“I learned how to play songs as part of a group. I’ve also learned to practice a little bit over time to play better. I also learned responsibility.”

“She has become more independent and has taken ownership as a musician. She is very responsible with her instrument and values it. She has become less shy and more confident.”

“We have deepened our appreciation for music and enjoy attending the performances. Music Haven is a second home for us.”

“Music Haven provides a comfortable place where he can be himself and receive respect and gain confidence.”

“Music Haven has had a positive affect upon my family. It has drawn us closer and made us more accountable.”

“Each year he has grown and become more involved with music. I hope he will continue to have the drive and passion for music as the years follow.”

“She has become much less shy and is excited and willing to work harder at new and more difficult things.”

“She is really focused when she has music to study and nothing else can deter her from concentrating.”

“Music Haven cares for our children in many different ways. They are an extension of our family.”

“Listening to her practice soothes the whole family. We actually stop what we are involved in to listen…any confusion or noise stops completely.”

“My child is compassionate to kids from different walks of life [and] has learned to respect and understand his peers without judging.”