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Jim Renshaw, Allstate Insurance Agency for providing the facilities to house TESSI. We enjoy working with Jim and the Allstate team, who are very accommodating in meeting our needs.



Talent Education School of Southern Illinois

(TESSI) in Carbondale was established as an L.L.C. in 2005 and founded by business partners Joyce Nelson, violinist and Alyce Ward, pianist along with associate David Stoecker, guitar.

As an independent school of music, TESSI is financed by tuition fees assessed for each 40-week school year. Tuition fees range from \$881.00 to 1684.00, and can be paid in one lump sum or in twelve installments. Pre-school Wiggles N' Tunes® classes are given in eight and sixteen-week sessions with fees of \$80.00 and \$160.00 per session.

The majority of TESSI students reside in the Carbondale/Murphysboro area and east along the Highway 13 corridor communities of Carterville, Herrin and Marion. A number of students commute from adjacent counties, Eldorado and Mount Vernon.

TESSI's mission is to provide and enriched music education choice for very young children to adults in a positive, can-do environment in which the needs and well-being of students comes first.

Talent Education, which is commonly known as the Suzuki Method includes these features:

- Highly trained, experienced teachers who are committed to life-long learning and skill development for themselves, and are supportive of their peers
- Parents who partner with their children and teachers to form the Suzuki Triangle.
- Individualized, unique approaches created for each student
- Supportive learning community of families and teachers which celebrate each student's efforts.
- International network of teachers and families.

Values that TESSI strives to support:

- Supportive family life revolving around worthwhile activities.
- Growing teamwork skills, sense of community, good citizenship and personal responsibility.
- Lifelong love of music and support for the lively arts.
- Positive relationships with local and regional businesses, education, musical and arts organizations.

Our clients can expect:

- High standards in a pleasant environment
- Parents are partners
- Long term commitment with teachers
- Open door "come early, stay late" co-mingled lessons
- Focus with fun

Concerts

Five concerts each school year are held at Carbondale Civic Center, Room 108 on Sundays starting at 1:30 and 3:00 p.m. Concerts are appropriate for audiences of all ages, and are free and open to the public.

Recitals remaining in the five-concert season are on April 13 and June 15, 2008. Pre-school Wiggles N' Tunes® students will have a presentation at 12:00 noon on the June concert date.



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Carbondale: Today's Technology

The Todd Darnstaedt family

Herrin: South Side Lumber

The Ken Smith Family

Carbondale: Presbyterian Child Development Center, Daycare (Wiggles N' Tunes®)

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