



Early Childhood Music Toolbox with Stephanie Leavell, MT-BC

*Though I'm a seasoned early childhood music educator, I still look for inspiration and ideas from colleagues. Stephanie is the bee's knees! She clearly has **her finger on the musical pulse** of what works for young children. || Ellen Allard*

*Stephanie has a unique combination of in-depth formal education, her oodles of natural talent, AND her hands-on experience as a mother as well as her years as a highly successful Music Therapist...she condenses all that knowledge down into ideas that are **fun, simple to understand, and easy to implement**. || Kathy Wilkins*

*Such a **wonderful resource for anyone** who works with music and young children. I've learned so much from Stephanie. || Joy Stallworth*

Description: Looking to reenergize and refresh your practice? In this resource-rich course, you will develop an early childhood music toolbox full of dozens of songs, ideas, and techniques. You will explore the full range of what music has to offer in order to efficiently and effectively help your clients meet their goals and objectives through song form, chord progressions, melody, lyrics, musical cues, and more. When you're done, you will have nearly 30 pages of resources ready to immediately implement and reference for years to come! No matter where you are in your career—whether you're just starting out or you're a seasoned professional, this course is for you!

Prerequisites: Facebook profile is recommended, not required. The course forum is held in a Facebook group. Participants may submit insights via email in lieu of the Facebook forum.

Board Certification Domains:

II. A. 1. C: Participants will write and share one song that clearly communicates expectations of clients.

II. A. 2. aa: Using either a song from the course or an original, the participant will share a clinical experience, including the goal, the song, and the implementation steps.



Instructor Qualifications: Stephanie is the creator of Music for Kiddos, a website to help parents and educators find the music that's right for their kiddo. She's mom to a spunky young daughter, a seasoned performer, an experienced music educator, and a board-certified music therapist. Stephanie is a Berklee College of Music graduate and is passionate about using music to help kids succeed. She has started multiple thriving music therapy programs and specializes in working with babies and kids through age 6.

Video Course Format:

Part 1: Music Tools (Total: 50:41)

- A. Intro
- B. Clinical Guitar Tips & Tricks
 - a. Fingerpicking // Five Green and Speckled Frogs (5:21)
 - b. Swung Fingerpicking // Mr. Sun (5:49)
 - c. Fingerpicking with Pluck // Wheels on the Bus (3:35)
 - d. Strumming // Move to the Beat (9:56)
 - e. The "Extras" // Rain Songs (9:45)
 - f. Suspensions & Hammer-ons (1:11)
- C. Musical Cues
 - a. The Role of Cues (5:07)
 - b. 5 Musical Cues (9:57)

Part 2: Transitional Tools (Total: 40:09)

- D. Four Transitional Tools and WHY They Are Used
 - a. Transition Tool: Speeding Up (5:22)
 - b. Transition Tool: Cleaning Up (4:18)
 - c. Transition Tool: Bed Time (7:36)
 - d. Transitions During Sessions (7:44)
- E. Recognizing & Shifting Arousal Levels
 - a. Assigning Arousal Levels for Awareness (9:55)
 - b. Addressing Arousal Levels During Music Therapy (5:14)

Part 2 Action Steps (10 minutes)

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Part 3: ReTOOLing Existing Songs (Total: 8:43)

F. How to Turn Existing Songs into Clinical Experiences (8:43)

Part 3 Action Step (10 minutes)

Part 4: Resource Frenzy! (Total: 35:51)

G. Stephanie's Most Useful Interventions

- a. Hellos & Goodbyes (6:14)
- b. Stopping and Starting (6:44)
- c. Guitar-Free Acapella Songs (7:26)
- d. Sequencing Songs (5:35)
- e. Halloween Story Song (2:37)
- f. Toothbrushing Song (2:37)
- g. Instrument Songs (4:38)

Total Time: 153 minutes

Number of CMTEs: 3 Price: \$85 Typical Access Period: 2 months



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