# Pakachoag Music School Conference Questionnaire

Student: Parent: Date:­­

Please write down your thoughts and return this questionnaire to your teacher before your conference. This will give her a chance to consider your input and plan an efficient and satisfying discussion.

**General**

Student’s age and grade in school

Is your child attending school in person, virtually or a combination of the two?

Is there anything that you would like me to know about your child’s personality, school experience or likes and dislikes?

Are you satisfied with the musical experience your child is having at Pakachoag?

Is your child motivated to learn and excited about their progress?

What do you see as your child’s strengths and areas of struggle?

**The Private Lesson**

How does your child feel about coming to his private lesson - before and after?

What do you feel is working well?

Do you have any concerns, questions or suggestions?

Are you leaving the lesson each week with a clear plan for the upcoming week’s practice?

Is the weekly practice assignment the appropriate length for your child, too much or too little?

Detailed note taking at the lesson is important to successful follow through at home.

Do you and/or your student have a working plan in place for this?

Please describe it.

**Online Lesson Experience**

How is this going from your end?

WiFi connection

Video

Sound

Have you been able to access the original sound feature?

Is the Zoom app working well for you? Are you able to find help and information when you need it?

Any questions or suggestions?

**Home Practice**

We listen to the Suzuki reference recording about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ times per week.

We practice together about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ times per week

or

My child practices independently about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ times per week

Approximate length of a practice session\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

How does your child feel about home practice?

Describe a typical practice session

What are the biggest challenges?

Describe some of the successes - how have you motivated your child or turned things around when things weren’t going well?

Is there anything that I can do to help make your home practice more successful?

**Group Class**

How does your child feel about the group classes?

Do you have any concerns, questions or suggestions?

**Parent Education**

Do you feel prepared for your role as Suzuki parent and practice partner?

What resources do you turn to when you need information or help?

Have you participated in the Suzuki Association of the Americas Parents as Partners On Line? If so, was it valuable?

This will start up again soon. Would you like to sign up?

Are there any specific areas where you need more information or training?

**The Suzuki Approach**

Please comment on the Suzuki approach as a whole and on the implementation of the various aspects of Suzuki education in your child’s instrumental music experience so far:

Positive Approach

Suzuki Triangle: Parent, Teacher, Child

Daily Listening

Step by step learning

Improving playing level through review

Community

Teaching and learning priorities:

1-Posture – ease and comfort

2-Tone

3-Intonation

4-Musical Expression

5-Learning new pieces

**Thank you!**