



JACOBS SCHOOL OF MUSIC

INDIANA UNIVERSITY

Bloomington

Kids Compose Competition

Application Form 2026-27

(For children currently in 2nd – 6th grades)

Child's Name _____ School _____ Grade _____

Address _____

City/State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Parent Name(s) _____

Teacher's Name (if applicable) _____

To be completed by a music teacher, private music instructor, parent, or legal guardian

I, _____ declare that the submitted melody has been entirely composed by
_____. I **have** / **have not** (circle one) helped notate the melody.

Signature _____ Date _____

Contact Number _____ Email _____

Relationship to child (circle one): parent / guardian / private music teacher / school music teacher

To participate, the following must be received by October 30, 2026 via mail or email (preferred).

- **Score**—Melody should be notated, fit on one page, and be less than one minute in length.
(Titles and harmony may be submitted, with no guarantee of inclusion in final arrangements.)
- **Application Form and Letter of Agreement**

Mail to:

**Kids Compose
c/o Creative Arts for Young People
3091 Natasha Drive
Bloomington, IN 47404**

Email to: kidscompose@gmail.com

*Note: All information on Application Form must be completed and legible.

Letter of Agreement and Minor Release must be signed and returned for melody to be considered.

Late submissions will not be accepted.

Previous winners not eligible.

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Letter of Agreement

I understand that my child's composition could be selected for inclusion as part of the *Kids Compose* program, a music program that aims to foster children's natural talent for composing melodies. If selected as a winner, an Indiana University Jacobs School of Music composition student will incorporate my child's composition into an original piece. The final arrangement will be performed at a MCCSC MAC series performance, at which my child will be in attendance for acknowledgement. The performance will be recorded by the IU Jacobs School of Music and be made available digitally.

I am granting *Kids Compose* permission to arrange, orchestrate, record, and reproduce my child's melody as part of a *Kids Compose* project. I understand that as part of this project, there may be multiple arrangements, orchestrations, recordings, and reproductions of the melody.

I also permit *Kids Compose* to copyright the final composition in its own right, in the names of the Jacobs School of Music composer, Indiana University and *Kids Compose*, provided that my child's name is listed as the composer of the original melody.

I may apply for copyright of the original melody only, if I wish. Copyright of the original melody means that no individual or organization, other than *Kids Compose*, will be able to use the melody without my permission. (For more information on copyrighting the original melody, see <http://www.copyright.gov/register/performing.html>.)

I release all claims to any royalties collected from performances, recordings, and sales of arrangements made as part of this project to *Kids Compose* and the Jacobs School of Music composer.

Finally, I understand that *Kids Compose* will not realize any net profits from the distribution and sale of the CD(s) or other products of this project.

Child's Name (print)

Parent or Guardian Name (print)

Parent or Guardian Signature

Date

MINOR RELEASE

I give *Kids Compose* permission to publish in print, electronic or video format the likeness/image of my child, his/her name, age, and village/city of residence in any editorial and/or noncommercial promotional materials for *Kids Compose*. I release all claims against *Kids Compose*, or its agents, on the grounds that publicity about *Kids Compose* reflects adversely on my child, violates any other right whatsoever, including, without limitation, rights of privacy and publicity.

Child's Name (print)

Parent or Guardian Name (print)

Parent or Guardian Signature

Date