

**Learn Braille Music!**

***An introductory class for 7-12th graders who are blind and visually impaired***

**When:** Four classes on Saturdays, 9am-12pm

October 28, November 4, 11, & 18, 2023

**Where:** State Services for the Blind

 2200 University Ave W # 240, St Paul, MN

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**Cost:** Free!

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**What students will learn** (curriculum is flexible based on students’ needs and experience):

* Discover the importance of learning braille music, and its history
* Learn an introduction to music theory (steps, intervals, octaves, etc.)
* Demonstrate the basics of solfege (through singing and playing)
* Recognize scale steps in numeric and braille music, Do through Ti
* Read and write short braille music melodies
* Use various instruments, braillers, music Tact-Tiles

**Prerequisites:** Students must be in 7-12th grade, blind or visually impaired with an interest in music, experience with literary braille, and desire to pursue music through and/or after high school.

**About the instructors:**

**Kaiti Shelton** kaitlin.shelton@spps.org is a Board Certified Music Therapist with the St. Paul Public School District.

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**Jenny Pelletier** jennifer.pelletier@state.mn.us is an Orientation and Mobility Specialist with State Services for the Blind and is a Board Certified Music Therapist.

**Register** [**HERE**](https://forms.gle/NvD2Ek8BxCYxAouV9) **by October 1, 2023**

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