

MusIQ Club : Keyboard Information Sheet

Our MusIQ Club program includes a fun weekly class at school, and also includes interactive software for regular practice at home. The software subscription includes award winning software for every age and skill level, so your whole family can enjoy reading music, playing the piano, improvising and composing.

Your home setup will require a piano keyboard that connects to your computer, so that whenever your child plays the piano, the interactive software helps them stay on track. This information sheet provides some easy options to equip your home with a suitable piano keyboard.

If you don't have a suitable piano keyboard at home, you should review Option 1. If your family already has a piano keyboard, review Option II.

Option I: Acorn Masterkey 49 : High Quality Compact Piano Keyboard:



This keyboard controller is the best value on the market and is perfectly fine for the first 3-4 years of learning to read and play. It comes with a USB cable for easy connection to the computer. If you are interested in this option, simply contact the school to place your request.

Option 2: Connect your Existing Piano Keyboard or Digital Piano



If you already own a piano keyboard you may be able to simply connect it to your computer and use the MusIQ Club software right away. Check for a small almost square USB interface on the rear of the keyboard. If you locate that interface there's a good chance you can connect this keyboard to your computer using a simple printer cable (USB cable).

If your piano keyboard does not have a USB interface on the back, check for a small round interface with five small holes, this should be labeled MIDI out. If you have this interface on your piano, you will just need a MIDI to USB interface adapter, as shown above on the right. The best source for a MIDI to USB Interface adapter is Amazon, if you search for these keywords, you should find an option at or below \$5.

If you plan to use your existing piano keyboard you may need to go to the manufacturer's web site and download a driver. This is necessary for most Yamaha keyboards. Some keyboards and adapters (like the Acorn Masterkey) are plug and play, simply plug them into your computer and they'll make a sound to indicate your operating system has 'recognized' the device.

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If you have any issues selecting or connecting your piano keyboard or if you are having trouble configuring your MusIQ software to use your piano keyboard, contact Adventus technical support team by email at support@adventus.com or call the Adventus toll-free support line at 1-888-999-6434