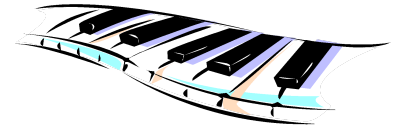


Piano Studio Policies 2023-2024



My Role As Your Teacher

I will teach every student the amazing language of music in a supportive and encouraging environment! I tailor my curriculum to match each student as individuals.

Your Role as Parents and Students

- Arrive on time or slightly before your lesson time.
- Bring all materials necessary for your lesson.
- ***Encourage daily practice as much and as often as possible.***
- Communicate with me regarding any questions or concerns about lessons as they arise.
- Come to lessons with a great attitude, ready to learn!
- Have fun!

Parents at Lessons

Parents are always encouraged to attend lessons as often as possible. I have an open door-policy during your lessons, at all times.

Recitals

Students are encouraged to participate in two recitals-- One in December, and one in May or June. They are not required, but definitely encouraged!

Instruments

A tuned, acoustic piano if preferable. If that is not possible, a quality digital (electronic) piano will be acceptable. Please contact me to discuss this issue if you have any questions about your home instrument.

Illness and Zoom Online Lessons

- *If your child has a fever or is experiencing any signs of illness, an online lesson should take the place of your in-studio lesson. If you keep your child home from school that day, the expectation is that you will take an online lesson that day.*
- Online lessons can be used ***occasionally*** if in-person attendance is not possible that week.

Missed Lessons

- If I have to miss one of your lessons for any reason, you may choose to receive either a tuition credit or a summer make-up lesson.
- There are no make-ups or credits for family vacations during the school-year, no-show situations, or last-minute scheduling conflicts (sports practices or games, etc.).
- If your child is too ill even for an online lesson, or misses a lesson due to other extenuating circumstances (not sports or family vacations), I will offer you up to three make-up lessons the following summer.

Requesting Lesson Time Changes

Please give as much notice as possible in order to facilitate a swap with another student for that week. I cannot guarantee a successful short-term lesson swap, but I will always try.

If you need a permanent lesson time change, I will make every effort to make this change. I cannot guarantee a successful long-term lesson swap after the start of the academic year.

Inclement Weather

If weather prevents in-person lessons, we will meet that week for an online zoom lesson at your usual lesson time. *No credits or make-ups will be given for lessons missed due to inclement weather.*

Tuition and Payment Schedule

Tuition covers not only the actual lesson time spent with your child, but time preparing as well. This includes an individualized (and a flexible, continuously evolving) plan for each student's course of study, email and phone correspondence throughout the year to discuss progress, my own training and experience, recital preparation and repertoire planning, professional organization memberships, and continuing education.

Tuition is due by the 2nd lesson of the month if you're paying monthly (10 payments). Semester payments (3) are due by the end of September, December, and April.

Cancellation of Lessons

Registration for lessons is a 1-year commitment during the academic school year. Should you decide to discontinue lessons, **a 1-month notice is required.** Tuition paid in advance will not be reimbursed for the first month of cancellation unless I am able to immediately fill the time slot for your lesson.