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Piano Studio

STUDIO POLICY 2021

Welcome to my piano studio, I am honored by the opportunity to work with your child. Music learning is a long-term process, and guiding children through it is an art, one that you get to be a part of by encouraging, cheering on and supporting your child as he or she learns. My teaching style promotes critical thinking and problem solving, and my hope is that all my students will enjoy making music as much as I do. Thank you for choosing me to walk this journey with you and your family.

TUITION

Tuition for private lessons covers 42 half-hour lessons from January through December of a calendar year. The monthly rate is \$140 per month, to be paid at the beginning of the month via check, Venmo or Zelle. Payment includes all scheduled lessons in a month (whether there are four or five weeks in the month), regardless of attendance. Paying monthly tuition through the entire year guarantees your place in my studio and allows flexibility to miss lessons during summer vacations, holidays, etc.

MAKE-UP LESSONS

Tuition won't change depending on lessons missed or canceled by the student. Missed lessons by the teacher will be made up or reimbursed. Because students tend to take practice less seriously when lessons are missed frequently, only **two make-ups** are allowed every year, no matter the cause. The make-up lesson policy is strict because of the monthly tuition system and also to ensure continuity of lessons, stability in the studio and steady learning progress.

STOPPING LESSONS

Sometimes students and families need to stop lessons and leave the studio. Students are, of course, allowed to quit lessons at any time. Once the monthly tuition has been paid, however, there will be no refunds for that month.

PARENTAL PARTICIPATION

Parents are essential to the student's success and at least one parent is required to be present during the lesson. We strongly suggest that parents take notes to keep track of assignments and also schedule specific times for their kids to practice. Encouraging children by saying "I love to hear you play" -no matter where they are in the learning process- is very important to young student's self-esteem and development. Please no food or drinks during lessons.