



## STUDIO POLICIES 2019-2020

### Tuition Schedule

38 private lessons are scheduled during the School Year (August 5th through May 22nd).

Tuition is billed per studio year, August through May, and is divided into 10 equal monthly payments or 2 equal semester payments.

<u>Lesson length</u>	<u>School Year Tuition Amount</u>
30 minutes	\$1,020 (\$102/month)
45 minutes	\$1,530 (\$153/month)

Annual Registration Fee: \$20

Annual Materials Fee: \$65

Supply fees are placed into each student's account and used for music and supplies. This amount may not cover all music needed, but music and supply costs will be taken from each student's account until such funds are exhausted.

Monthly tuition installments are due at the first lesson of each month. A \$15 late fee will be due if payment is received after the first lesson day of the month.

The vacation dates listed on the Studio Calendar are built into the annual tuition amount. No credit is given for these vacation dates.

A 30-day notice is required for withdrawal from lessons. Withdrawals made without proper notice will be charged the following month's tuition.

### Attendance and Missed Lessons

The time scheduled for each student's lesson is reserved for that student's use only. Makeup lessons will not be given for any reason other than hospitalization. Notification by the student of inability to attend a lesson does not excuse payment for the lesson, which must be paid for, whether taken or missed. When the school district closes due to inclement weather, the piano studio is also closed. Makeup lessons will not be offered for lessons missed due to inclement weather, such as hurricane days. Makeup lessons will always be offered when a lesson is canceled by teacher, at a mutually convenient time. No credits are given for missed lessons for any reason.

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Out of respect for other students, students who have had a fever within the last 24 hours, or who have not attended school or left school due to sickness the day of their lesson, should not attend their lesson. Students may request to have a Skype lesson during their reserved lesson time if they are sick but still wish to have their lesson.

### Piano and Keyboard Requirements

Students are required to own/rent either a piano in good working condition or a keyboard with touch sensitive keys and a pedal. The start of each school year is a great time to get your piano tuned! David Jefferies is highly recommended—(941) 932-0938.

### Lessons

All lesson assignments are expected to be completed each week and students are encouraged to ask any questions they may have between lessons by texting or emailing me. Should parents have any questions concerning their child's music or work, texts and emails are welcome at any time.

Daily practice of all assigned material is required. Repeated failure to meet practice requirements and goals may result in lesson termination. To help develop self-discipline and good work habits, it is suggested that a regular time for practice be set aside each day. Students are required to practice 5 days per week for the amount of time specified by teacher, and cover every step of practicing as listed in the assignment pad. Students are also required to record their practice time in their assignment book. Lessons will be terminated by teacher in the event of irregular attendance, repeated late payments, repeated failure to meet practice requirements, repeated failure to practice all assigned material, or disruptive behavior. A one-month warning period with parent notification will precede lesson termination.

### Recitals and Events

Two public recitals will be held each year. All students are encouraged to participate. Friends and family are welcome to attend. There is no fee required to participate in recitals.

When planned and prepared for appropriately, evaluations are a wonderful and stimulating addition to musical training at any playing level. They provide goals, challenges and different arenas in which students can enjoy and develop their skills. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in an annual judged event which is an evaluation of performance skills.

I have read and understand the Studio Policies, including the Missed Lesson policy, and agree to abide by the guidelines and policies listed.

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_