

Piano at Music con Brio

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Welcome to piano lessons! Music making can be a tremendously enriching experience, and I look forward to joining you in your journey. I strive create a warm and supportive learning environment that challenges students to play musically and intelligently. Please take a minute to familiarize yourself with the policies below and bring a signed copy to your next lesson.

Teacher Responsibilities

I will be available and prepared to teach 34 weekly lessons over the school year. I provide a well-rounded education in the art of piano playing and tailor lesson plans to each student's learning needs.

I also provide optional group classes and performance opportunities throughout the year. Students are encouraged to participate as much as possible.

Student and Family Responsibilities

Students agree to arrive on time, well prepared with all books and materials. To make the most of your musical education, at least 5 days per week of practice is recommended. Feel free to ask questions to make sure you understand all assignments and contact me with any concerns about home practice!

All students need an instrument for home practice. An acoustic piano is necessary beyond the 2nd year of study. New beginners may start on a full-size digital piano with touch sensitive, weighted keys. Please ask if you need assistance finding an instrument.

Parents agree to support home practice habits by helping students establish a good routine and providing support to young beginners. Students under the age of 10 may need some assistance at home, especially in the beginning years of study.

Tuition Payments

Tuition for the term can be paid by the semester or on a monthly payment plan. Semester payments are due at the first lesson in August and Jan 6th. Monthly payments are due on or before the 5th of each month. A 10% late fee will be added to any late payments. A \$65 annual registration fee is due upon signing up for lessons and with the first fall tuition payment in each subsequent year. Payments can be made by cash, check, or online through the studio website. Music con brio

reserves the right to suspend or terminate instruction for any student whose account is delinquent.

Schedule

Lessons are held weekly at a time set at registration, and scheduled at the beginning of each academic year thereafter. Commitment is for the duration of the school year. Mid-year schedule changes can be discussed on a case-by-case basis but are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed.

The 2019-2020 calendar includes 34 weekly lessons and 3 flex weeks. These are weeks that I may use at any time in case of teacher illness or family emergency. I guarantee my availability for 34 lessons and will make up any lessons I need to cancel beyond that.

Missed Lessons

If you need to miss a lesson for any reason, please inform me by phone or email with as much notice as possible. If I have other cancelations during regular teaching hours that week, I will offer those times, although I can't guarantee availability.

Families can also participate in an optional swap list via email to switch times with another student for the week. Please let me know if you'd like to be included. Most parents receive only a few requests per year to switch lesson times.

If you need to miss a lesson due to travel or minor student illness, you can also take advantage of skype or video lessons. Please contact me with at least 48 hours notice to arrange logistics.

Social Media Photo/Video Policy

From time to time we may use photos and videos of your child on our website and social media pages. If you do not want your child's image(s) to be used, please let me know. In general, students love getting to see their pictures and videos shared and find it motivating and exciting to show off their learning to others. You have the option to opt out entirely, or specify whether or not we use your child's name. We will never identify them by anything more than first name.

I welcome any feedback you may have. Please contact me with any questions, concerns, or comments. I look forward to exploring music with you!

Please bring a signed copy to your first class, along with the attached photo authorization form.

I have read and understand the policies and procedures detailed above.

(name)

(date)

All schedules, fees, and tuition are subject to change without notice.