

# Studio Policies 2020-2021

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## Tuition

- Tuition for weekly 30 minute lessons is \$95 per month, every month, including June and July. If the student is beginning in the middle of the month then lessons are \$26.55 per 30 minute lesson.
- Tuition is due by the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month, and can be paid by cash or check. A late fee of \$3 per day will be added to late tuition (including if it is mailed)
- Students are expected to continue lessons in the summer- May 21st, 2021 through school starting in August (6 lessons over an 11-12 week period).

### **Other Lesson Rates-**

45 minute lesson- \$142.5 per month

### **Late Fee-**

Payment is due by the 1st of each month. A late fee of \$3 per day will be applied to any late payments. If the student does not bring tuition to lessons and wishes to mail it, the late fee will still be added.

## Lesson Payment Calculation

In order to make lesson tuition the same each month, the lesson payment is averaged out over a 12 month period.

### **Number of lessons given: 42 (examples based on a Wed. lesson)**

August- 3      September- 5      October- 3      November- 3      December- 3      January- 4  
February- 4      March- 4      April- 4      May- 3      Summer Break- 6

$42 \times \$27.14 = \$1140.3$   
 $\$1140.3/12 = \$95.03$

I round down to \$95 a month for the convenience of the student/easier to remember.

## Lesson Calendar

Lessons will be given weekly during the school year, Wednesday, August 12th, 2020- Thursday, May 20th, 2021, except for the following scheduled breaks:

September 2: Labor Day

October 27-29: Fall Break

November 23- 27: Thanksgiving

\*Sunday/Monday students still have lessons this week

December 21- January 3: Christmas

March 14-20: Spring Break

April 4: Easter

May 20: First day of summer lessons

\*\*\*If I am unable to attend lessons due to an emergency (missing multiple days to where I couldn't make them all up in the work week) lessons will be held May 21<sup>st</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>. Otherwise the summer calendar will begin on May 21<sup>th</sup>.

## Summer Lessons

During the scheduled summer break, I expect all students to attend 6 lessons.

The cost of lessons during the summer is still \$95 per month. The 6 summer lessons are built into your monthly tuition rate. Summer is counted from May 21st through school resuming in August.

Any student who wishes to continue lessons in August is required to take summer lessons.

## Missed Lessons

If a student notifies me beforehand, I will contact other students to see if they can switch that same week. **If I am unable to switch the student with another student, they will forfeit the makeup.** I will not "bank" makeups for the student to complete later in the semester.

Please understand I have reserved a time for your piano lesson. If this time is empty, I am then using double the amount of time allotted to you in order to give a makeup lesson. Please make every effort to attend piano lessons regularly. Regular lesson attendance is crucial for the student to maintain progress in learning piano.

## Recitals

Two recitals will be held for students at Lane Music. One of these recitals will be around Halloween and students are encouraged to wear costumes. The other will take place in the spring. Participation is not mandatory.

Fall Recital- TBA

Spring Recital- TBA

## Lesson Termination

**Students are required to make a full semester commitment for piano lessons (August-December or January-May). The decision to not make this commitment must be communicated to me by June 20<sup>th</sup> for the fall semester and by November 20<sup>th</sup> for the spring semester. If the students schedule changes and they cannot make the agreed upon lesson time (and I cannot accommodate another time) then payment is still expected.**

**If a student wishes to terminate lessons in the middle of the semester then payment in full for the remainder of the semester will be due immediately upon termination.**

Please understand that I generally am only able to add students during the very beginning of the semester. If a student discontinues lessons mid semester, I am likely unable to fill that opening until the following semester. Inability to make this commitment will result in you paying for the months of piano lessons that you are unable to attend. There will be no exceptions made for beginning sport seasons, dance practices, work schedules etc. that interfere with your pre-agreed upon lesson time. I am happy to try to make changes in the schedule but if I am unable to then you are responsible for payment.

Summer lessons will require a one month advance paid notice of termination. If the student decides to abruptly end lessons in the middle of the month, the amount paid for that month will not be refunded. **Students wishing to discontinue for June must notify me by May 1st. Students who wish to discontinue for July must notify me by June 1<sup>st</sup>.** Lessons would be offered through the payment period for both these instances. It is at the student's discretion whether they take them or not.