



Conservatory Policies and Lesson Contract

PARENT

Parental support and involvement are a vital part of music study. Your child's progress is directly related to:

- * Help your child develop a schedule that includes consistent practice time. Our weekly PRACTICE PARTNER™ program will help revolutionize your child's practice sessions. We drive to you! Only \$99/ month.
- * Check the lesson binder and website frequently for newsletters, calendars, lesson assignments, resources and other communication.
- * Provide a quiet environment for students to practice. Keep a pencil nearby to write notes in the music and fill in practice time. Provide a metronome to increase fluency and rhythm. Calling/ texting hours are 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
- * Keep your piano tuned and in good working order. A full size (88-key) acoustic piano is recommended but an electric piano (at least 76-key WITH a pedal and an appropriate bench) will suffice for the first year of study.

STUDENT

- * Students should have the following prepared for lessons: Lesson binder with practice days filled in and signed, all music books and sheet music, flashcards if applicable.
- * Students agree to demonstrate a willingness to learn, positive attitude, and goal-oriented practice.

YEARLY REGISTRATION FEE

A **\$49.00** per student (**\$89/** family), non-refundable, non-transferrable registration fee is due by **June 15** to reserve your lesson spot for the coming academic year. This fee covers all studio and recital expenses throughout the year. It also includes a Premium Piano Maestro membership (iPad app), check out privileges from the music book lending library and the CD lending library, lesson binder and accessories, and note flashcards. It is the students' responsibility to replace any lending library book or CD that is lost or ruined.

TUITION

Tuition is based on the academic year from August through July each year. You may choose monthly auto debit to pay in equal monthly installments, or pay in 3 semester payments (due July 23, December 23, May 23) with a discount. All families are required to have a credit card on file.

Monthly payments will be billed the 23rd-25th of each month for the following month's tuition. There is a **\$20 fee** for any declined payment or NSF from your account. Please ensure your payment information stays current in our records. Any account not paid by the first of the month will receive a courtesy reminder email and a 48-hour grace period before your lesson spot will be forfeited.

Tuition includes much more than weekly lesson time. It also includes all performance events and competitions, time spent researching repertoire, developing personalized lesson plans and studying the latest techniques for each student. As with University tuition, music lesson tuition is payable whether the student attends or not. There are no tuition credits given. Students may sign up for 30, 45, or 60-minute weekly private lessons. We also offer twice weekly lessons at a discount. Group lessons are once a week and are 45-minutes in length.

Please Note: other expenses throughout the year may include entrance fees for festivals & competitions, and music books/ lesson materials.

ENROLLMENT AGREEMENT

The enrollment agreement guarantees your continued placement in the studio for the day and time you have scheduled. Tuition payment covers the student's whole course of music study, payable in advance.

We sincerely hope you will be part of our music family long term! However, if you wish to discontinue lessons we simply require a 30-day written and paid tuition notice.

There may be video/audio recordings of participants in MMC events that may be used for educational or promotional purposes.

MISSED LESSONS

If your instructor cancels a lesson, you will be given a lesson credit to be redeemed at any time during the semester agreed upon by the student and the teacher.

Your weekly lesson time is reserved exclusively for you. If you can't attend your lesson, two alternatives are offered. A minimum of 48 hours notice is required. First, you can set up a virtual lesson. Second, you can record yourself playing your lesson assignments and send the teacher a YouTube link (or equivalent platform). Your teacher will watch and email you feedback. There can be no makeup lessons given for last minute cancellations or no-shows. If you do not arrive within the first 15 minutes of your lesson time, the lesson is considered forfeited. Please note that group classes and masterclasses cannot be made up. In the case of a true emergency, please contact your instructor as soon as possible. These are handled on a case-by-case basis.

SUMMER SEMESTER

Summer semester is the first week of June through the first week of August. We offer flexibility of lesson scheduling in the summer to accommodate your schedule. Mini-workshops, piano camps, classes, private lessons, and 2 lessons/week allow for vacations while still participating in summer lessons.

Summer lesson participation ensures your lesson spot is reserved for the following academic year with your teacher.

Sincerely,

Musical Minds Conservatory

Parent Signature

Print Name

Date