

Studio Policy Agreement

Kirstin Myers

Oboe | Bassoon | Piano

Sept 2024 - August 2025

All information in this agreement is in effect during the above time period.

Lesson Lengths Offered

Length is customized to each student's needs. Lessons can be 30, 45 or 60-minutes. This is dependent on experience, reed-making involvement and what works in your family's schedule.

Lesson Frequency

This is also customized with each student. Variables that affect this decision are my availability and/or the student's schedule as well as the student's current needs. For a new student, I typically begin with 30-minute weekly lessons then assess the student's needs as they progress.

Location & Hours

Mondays (York) - 4:00-9:00

Tuesdays - Thursdays (Ephrata) - times vary

*Fridays (York) - 4:00-7:00

*Fridays are not available in the summer months (June-August)

Lesson Rates

30-min lesson: \$32

45-min lesson: \$48

60-min lesson: \$64

Reeds

\$25/reed for current students

\$30/reed for anyone else

Advanced notice of 2 weeks is appreciated! 😊

Masterclasses **NEW!**

Mark your calendars! This year I will hold 3 masterclasses.. Details to come later. They will be:

November 16: 2:00-4:00, York College, DeMeester Recital Hall (focus: Audition Prep)

January 18: 2:00-4:00, York College, Room 100 (focus: Oboe Reed Making)

March 15: 2:00-4:00, York College (focus: Solo Performance)

Recital **NEW!**

I'm excited to put together a recital this year! Details will be provided at a later date. Any cost attributed would be to pay for an outside accompanist if needed on any of the pieces. Participation is highly encouraged although voluntary.

Practice Expectations

Students are expected to practice! Practice length and frequency is tailored for each student, but frequent, consistent practice will always yield the most growth. Younger oboe students typically need to practice in shorter segments of time more frequently to help build their embouchure before they can play for longer periods of time.

Cancellation Policy

I ask that all students consult with me to adjust their schedule (if needed) *a few days before the 1st of the month* so that our schedules align and correct payment is charged (rescheduling those lessons is highly encouraged!). Once that has been determined, you will be invoiced for the upcoming month based on that amount of lessons. **Please call, text, or email me 24-hours in advance if you need to cancel a lesson.** No refunds will be given once payment is made, however, rescheduled lessons are always an option if it is possible (either in-person or online).

Make-up Lessons

If a scheduled lesson needs to be canceled, I ask that a makeup lesson be scheduled within a month of that canceled lesson. If it isn't possible in-person, I do offer an online option of a Zoom/FaceTime/FB Messenger lesson.

Online Lessons

I encourage in-person lessons if at all possible. However, I am always open to teaching long distance students and make-up lessons via Zoom/FaceTime/FB Messenger if needed!

Payment

Invoices are emailed at the beginning of every month. In addition, a monthly reminder email is sent at the beginning of every month. Text reminders of your upcoming lesson are sent 24-hours in advance. Payments are due by the 15th of every month based on the amount of lessons that are scheduled for that month. I currently accept payment via cash, check, Venmo, PayPal & ApplePay. **If payment is made after the 15th, a late charge of \$20 will be added to your account on the 16th.**

Student Behavior

Any questionable behavior by the student will immediately be discussed with the parent and expectations will be outlined.

Termination of Lessons

In the event that a student needs to withdraw from lessons whether for an extended "break" or termination of lessons, 4 weeks of advance notice is required (and the payment for those 4 weeks). If returning to the studio at a later date, space in the schedule and/or the previous time slot cannot be guaranteed. No refunds are given if termination is made by the student and payment has already been made.

I have read and agree to the policies above.

Student Name (printed)

Date

Parent or Adult Student Signature