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Teacher

Address, City, Phone

Studio Policy

Practice: A Family Responsibility

To insure optimal progress, sufficient practice time must be set aside. It is important to find a time when it is relatively quiet in the home for effective learning. Please respect the student's practice by eliminating all distracting elements, such as TV, stereos and friends. The emphasis needs to be on mind spent, not only time spent. Praise and encouragement are the parents' greatest tools in helping a young musician. Sit down and listen to your child's practice immediately following their lesson. Then listen again just before the next lesson and comment upon the improvement that you hear.

Tuition

There will be a total of 32 weekly lessons and one Junior Festival week for the year. The annual tuition of \$\$ will be divided into 9 equal payments beginning September 1st. Tuition will include a private 45-minute lesson and a 30-minute musicianship-computer lab time. Your tuition also pays for playing classes, newsletters, recitals, lending library fees, and music lab supplies. Tuition is due the first lesson of each month. Final payment is due the first week of May. You can anticipate at %% tuition increase effective each September.

Missed Lessons

Your lesson time is reserved exclusively for your student. Lessons missed by the student cannot be made up. No credit will be given for missed lessons. Your tuition supports the study of music, and reserves your lesson time. Families may trade lesson times with another student to help avoid absences. A swap list will be sent home in October.

Piano

Be certain your piano is tuned and in good condition. It is very difficult to enjoy playing on an out-of-tune instrument. A parallel experience might be riding your bicycle with a flat tire. It would work, but would you enjoy it?

Materials

Students need to bring a 3" three-ring binder that has the exterior, see through plastic pocket cover. This will be used throughout the year to record practice information, schedules, newsletters, and tuition payments.

Fingernails

Fingernails, which are too long, preclude development of proper piano technique. Please be certain they are trimmed very short. This is necessary preparation for every lesson. If they are too long, our valuable lesson time will be used to trim them.