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| SM  2022-2023 objectives \*To watch students grow, change, and learn over time.  \*To improve skills in math, complex problem solving, patterning, directional reading and more.  \*To tailor lessons to each child’s musical ability.  \*To use a well-rounded approach with visual, motor, aural, sensory methods to master concepts.  \*To include all students regardless of learning differences.  \*To provide opportunities for public performance and local competitions.  \*To learn life lessons of goal setting, hard work, cooperation, self-control, and respect for others. Important dates These dates are tentative. Any changes will be posted in Newsletter.   |  |  | | --- | --- | | 27 Aug | 0830-1030 Open House  1030-1130 Online Students Tech Check | | 29 Aug | First Week of Lessons | | 5 Sep | Labor Day -No Lessons | | 10-14 Oct | Vacation –No Lessons | | 5 Nov | 10-12 Fall Recital @ Allegro Assisted Living | | 21-25 Nov | Thanksgiving – No Lessons | | 26 Dec - 6 Jan | Christmas – No Lessons | | 9-13 Jan | Parent Week & Conferences | | 16 Jan | MLK Day – No Lessons | | 20 Feb | Presidents Day – No Lessons | | 4 Mar | Concerto Competition | | 13-17 Mar | Spring Break – No Lessons | | 1 Apr | Spring Festival Event | | 22 Apr | Student Day Event | | 15 May | Last Week of Lessons | | 20 May | EOY Studio Recital & Awards Ceremony |  student pledge  * I promise to try my best, but I do not have to be perfect! * I promise to bring all my books to lessons. * I promise to practice between lessons. * I promise to look at my Spiral Notebook, so I don’t miss something important. * I promise to tell Miss Natalie when I need help. | |  |  | | --- | --- | | Sweet Music StudioMusic \* Theory \* Ensembles \* composition \* Pre-K |  |  2022-2023 Tuition Tuition is determined by combining all costs for the year and dividing into 10 equal, monthly payments. This year tuition is $94.50 per month. I am happy to draft an estimate with a breakdown of charges if requested.  What does this include? 33 lessons, Learning materials, Method books, Access to technology, Performance prep, and Lesson Prep, for example. It also covers business costs like printing, professional certifications, insurance, utilities, equipment, supplies and travel.    I have tried my best to keep costs down to accommodate family budgets. The only fee **not included** is any local performance events like Festivals or Student Day—because these are optional and billed to participating students individually. This year, invoices will be **due on the 20th** of each month starting 15 August.  Payments are made through the Wave Accounting system via Debit/Credit Card or by Personal Check. Auto Pay billing can be arranged if preferred. Studio rules  * Students with long hair must have their hair pulled or tied back, and all students must come to lessons with hands, fingers, and fingernails cleaned. * Each student must have their OWN tote bag to carry music and supplies to/from lessons. * Students may NOT bring any toys or stuffed animals to lessons as it becomes a distraction to learning. * Students must speak respectfully, or their lesson will be promptly ended.  Performance options Performance options occur throughout the year to include my own 2 Studio Recitals to local MTNA events. I encourage students (even beginners) to get involved to build confidence and learn good performance technique. Sign Ups for these events will be included in the Weekly Newsletter. make ups, Holidays, & Cancellation Make Ups: Because I prefer to teach students in person, I ask Piano Parents to **make every effort to prioritize lesson time each week**. I am unable to offer post-lesson make ups and must maintain a **“No Make-Up Policy.”** I realize that sometimes things happen to upset normal family routines. Here are options for sickness or other conflict that must be coordinated AHEAD of original lesson time:   1. Swap Lessons: Swap day/time with another student. 2. Siblings: Use siblings to take the “extra” lesson time that week. 3. You Tube: I can use original lesson time to prepare a YouTube video to watch at home at your convenience. 4. Zoom or Facetime: If the student is well enough, we can use an iPad or iPhone for Online Learning during their regular lesson time.   Cancellations: Ideally, I would like to have your student for the entire year. If you move or otherwise cannot continue lessons, I require a 30-day notice to have time to refill that slot from my waiting list. I can also draft a Goal Summary for you to carry to the next location and provide continuity of your student’s music education. Communication Studio information, event reminders and Parent tips are accessed through the weekly newsletter or on our private Facebook site. If you are not receiving the Newsletter, please check your spam box or let me know.  I can be reached via phone, text, email, or through your student’s My Music Staff Student/Parent Portal. MMS will also have a calendar of all your student’s lesson dates and will be the way we would have an online lesson due to quarantine or other reason. Please keep your student or parent portal login handy or put the website as an icon on your smart phone for easy access. Parent Pledge  * I promise to help my student use the restroom, get a snack, and wash hands BEFORE their lesson.      * I promise to oversee their practice schedule whether that means one-on-one help or just carving time in the schedule & a quiet place to practice. * I promise to provide access to a working, full size, weighted, 88-key instrument plus a bench and pedal. I understand that lessons **cannot begin until an instrument is provided**. * I promise to communicate with Miss Natalie regularly when my student shows signs of difficulty so we can take action to fix any confusion or barriers to learning. * I promise to be encouraging and make my student’s music choice a positive, joyful experience for them.  Signatures My signature below indicates that I agree with the Policy as stated in this document and will adhere to it to the best of my ability.  Parents, please check whether you allow or do not allow us to take pictures and/or videos of your student. These will be shared with you but also occasionally shared with current members of the Studio through the Private FB Group.  Student Signature  Parent Signature |