



KSN Piano Studio

2022-2023 Studio Policies

COVID 19 Update: The studio will follow the recommendations of the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) and the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) on the timing and precautions for in-person lessons. Currently both in-person and online lessons are available. This format will continue through 2023 and be evaluated as the COVID 19 situation changes and evolves.

Calendly Scheduling App: All lessons will be scheduled using the Calendly app. June, July and August are considered to be summer lessons. September will start the school year weekly lessons. (Calendly is working on scheduling repeat lessons but as of right now each lesson needs to be entered individually). [Calendly Scheduling App](#)

StudioTuition: Tuition will be invoiced and is due 7 days after receipt of the invoice. During the school year, families are asked to schedule weekly lessons as much as possible. Exceptions are MEA break, week of Thanksgiving, and advance notification of family vacations, etc. June, July, August are the summer session months and families are asked to schedule a minimum of 6 lessons. There will be a \$25 registration fee per family payable with the September tuition. This covers recital hall expenses and duet/ensemble music for recitals - we are going back to in person recitals!! Hooray!

- 30 minute lessons - \$25 per lesson
- 45 minute lessons - \$37.50/lesson
- 60 minute lessons - \$50/lesson

Make up/Missed Lesson Policy: Lessons will be made up as the schedule permits. Calendly allows for easy lesson reschedules that don't need to involve me. If you have questions about how to use the reschedule feature, please let me know. If there are lessons owed, "free" lessons will be given during the summer session. A free lesson is in addition to the 6 lessons scheduled for summer. 24 hour notice is required for lesson cancellations, unless it is an illness. Please do not send students who are exhibiting symptoms of illness. In person lessons can be switched to zoom, or made up at a later time during the current or next month. School breaks will be communicated at the start of each school year. Lessons during MN winter weather can now be switched to the Zoom platform!

Lessons will be billed at the beginning of the month based on the number of lessons scheduled through Calendly. The invoice will come from Square, a secure payment portal.

Payments: Credit card, cash, or Zelle. (Venmo is now charging fees for businesses so I would prefer not to use Venmo or Paypal)

Required Materials: Students must have a piano or keyboard to practice on outside of lesson time. The piano must be tuned and maintained regularly. I use Mark Grim for a piano tuner - you can reach him at (612) 729-0243 - he does a great job and his prices are reasonable. A keyboard should have 88 keys and be fully weighted with hammer action keys. A metronome (or an app with a metronome feature) is strongly recommended. All piano books used in the course of study should be purchased by the family. Students will be asked to listen to music (links from youtube) so a phone or tablet that can access internet links is important. Piano lesson notes will be provided electronically and shared via google or email.

Parental Involvement: Parents are welcome and encouraged to be at all lessons, especially the first lesson of the school year. **Currently masks are optional in the studio. The studio will be sanitized between students and I encourage all students to use hand sanitizer when they enter. I plan to continue to mask as cases are on the rise again and we will adjust as needed, based on county transmission rates.**

Practicing and Performance Opportunities: Students are expected and encouraged to establish daily practice routines. I am always available to support students and families in establishing these goals and routines. Goals will be set in the fall, in January and in the summer. There will be 2 studio recitals each year - hopefully we can do at least 1 in person recital but that depends on the COVID case counts. Students also have the opportunity to participate in recitals given by the St. Paul Piano Teachers Association and the state piano contest and theory exams administered by the Minnesota Music Teachers Association. There are virtual and in person options. We also hope to have the MusicLink Playathon at the Mall of America return in February of 2023!

Parking: You may park in front of the 3rd garage or on the street. Please do not park directly behind the garage stall next to the house or in the middle of the driveway. Follow the path next to the 3rd garage to the studio in back.

I understand and agree with the KSN Piano Studio policies.

Parent Name and Date_____