Kimberly Meyer
Music

Private Lesson Policies

This document is for your records. In order to take lessons, a separate Lesson Policy Agreement shall be filled out and signed to signify receipt and understanding of the following policies:

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About the Lessons & Scheduling

Private lessons with Kimberly are 30-minute blocks of instruction given one-on-one, and tailored to meet each individual student's learning needs. In-person lessons will be held at the Norfolk Arts Center in Norfolk, NE on the baby grand piano in the art gallery. Lessons are meet on a weekly basis at the same day and time each week, as agreed upon by the student/parent and the instructor. Times are heavily subject to availability.

Length of Terms

The teaching year will consist of four quarters, each being approximately three months long, with typically short breaks in between terms. This is subject to change and may vary upon instructor's availability. No lessons will be given on major holidays. Students/Parents will know the exact number of lessons, dates of lessons, and off-dates prior to the start of each quarter.

At the start of each quarter, existing students that continue through will have first priority in keeping their same day/time slot if they so choose. Those existing students who wish to switch times may do so only if there are openings or other students have the ability to switch. New students will only be offered lesson times that become available when an existing student does not re-sign up for the next session. Students who take a break at the end of the quarter will forfeit their time slot - no holds across non-sequential quarters.

Tuition & Payment

Tuition for private lessons breaks down to a rate of $30.00 per 30-minute lesson, but is expected to be paid for in advanced. Terms are to be treated like college classes or memberships where there are no refunds for student-missed lessons. You are paying for that time slot and for the instructor's time while waiting.

Payment must be received prior to or at the start of each quarter. Payments should be made in full by one of the methods listed below, or in monthly installments if payment in full is not feasible. No lessons will be given if payment (in full or monthly) is not received prior to start of the quarter.

Acceptable payment methods include cash, personal check, Venmo, See below for details:

- Cash: Made in-person
- Checks: Make payable to Kimberly Meyer. In-person or mail to PO BOX 453, Plainview, NE 68769
- Venmo: @KimberlyMeyerMusic
- CashApp: $KimberlyMeyerMusic

I no longer accept payments by PayPal or Debit/Credit Card as to avoid unnecessary processing fees. Any processing fees will be charged back to the customer on the next quarter's invoices.

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Cancellations, Missed Lessons, and Late Arrivals
It is the responsibility of the student/family to ensure there are no foreseeable conflicts with personal and school schedules. All scheduled lessons that have been billed are expected to be paid for even if the student does not attend. No refunds or balance reductions for student-missed lessons. The only way a lesson may not be billed is if the instructor is notified of the exact conflicting date(s) at the time of sign-up prior to the start of the quarter. It is at the instructor's discretion to allow a student to sign up if there are an excessive amount of conflicting dates that could be better utilized by another student who can attend regularly.

If a student is late to their lesson, the lesson still ends at their scheduled end time to ensure that the following students can start on time. If later than 15 minutes, that lesson may be forfeited by the instructor.

Make-up lessons should not be expected for student-missed lessons. Time is valuable and the instructor's schedule is often booked in entirety; tight scheduling makes make-up lessons difficult or impossible.

Kimberly commutes over 65 miles round trip each teaching day to accommodate her love of teaching. In circumstances such as inclement weather, health and safety concerns, or sudden unavoidable conflicts such as National Guard duty activation (Kimberly is an active member in the South Dakota Army National Guard), the instructor may either cancel the lesson or give the option to complete the lesson online via Zoom. If cancelled by the instructor, the cost of the lesson will be credited toward lessons in a following quarter.

Course Materials & Books
Things to bring to every lesson:

- Lesson & theory Books (And other music books we may be working out of)
- Notebook dedicated solely to piano lessons
- Any Instructor-provided reference sheets
- A water bottle is the only authorized food or drink. Please, no candy or other substances that could make a mess of our shared space and piano.

The instructor will recommend lesson books that are the best fit for each student's ability. It will be the student/parent's responsibility to purchase the books from any music store or online source. This eliminates need for instructor to collect book/material fees. Students with prior experience may bring books they have already been working out of to eliminate need for additional cost to the student/parent.

Practice Expectations
Students are expected to be prepared for their lessons each week to the best of their ability. It is understandable that some weeks will be more difficult than others to find time to practice in between lessons. However, only 10 minutes a day is better than not at all. It will make lessons more fun for both the student and the instructor!

These policies are subject to change. Updated 2026.

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