

MUSIC SCHOOL POLICIES – GROUP LESSONS

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This set of policies is an agreement between parent / guardian or student, if legal age, as indicated below, and Joys Of Music, Inc., hereafter referred to as “studio”. A student will be registered only after the student registration is filled out and the agreement is signed, dated and returned with required non-refundable down payment. Unless student is of legal age, a parent or legal guardian of the student must sign this agreement.

- **TUITION DEPOSIT PAYMENT:** This non-refundable tuition down payment is required upon registration for the school term, in the amount of \$_____, to reserve a position for your student in class scheduling for group piano lessons plus \$_____ for music book. The tuition for the school year session will be \$_____. The down payment is non-refundable except when no suitable class is available, as determined solely by Miss Joy.
- **TUITION PAYMENT OPTIONS:** In addition to the DOWN PAYMENT, the tuition must be paid in one of three ways:
 1. One total balance payment due on September 1st
 2. Two semester payments-one due on September 1st and the second due on January 2nd .
 3. 9 equal payments-each due on the first of each month from September 1st through May 1st.
 4. Equal monthly payments due 1st of the month beginning _____ and ending _____.
- **TIMELY TUITION PAYMENTS:** Unless prior arrangements have been made, each payment must be paid in full by the beginning of the first lesson of the month, or the student will not be taught. Tuition is due as scheduled whether the student attends class or not. A \$15.00 late fee must accompany payments received after the first lesson of the month.
- **PAYMENT METHOD:** Checks and cash are acceptable or advance payment online may be made via paypal.com using your credit card, debit card checking or savings account. Paypal payments should be sent to payment@joysofmusic.com or use a payment link on JoysOfMusic.com. There will be a \$20.00 charge for any returned checks and the ability to pay by check will be rescinded. (Convenient automatic payments by paypal subscription are available upon request. Subscription payments may be funded from checking, savings, debit or credit cards. See web-site for details.)
- **LENGTH OF COURSE:** The course consists of _____ (normally 30) lessons. Piano classes generally follow the school calendar, beginning in September and ends in May.
- **MISSED LESSONS:** No tuition credits or make-up lessons are given. Parents should come to the school to pick up the music assigned that day if a student must miss a class. There will be two free lessons at the end of the course. You may use them as make-up for any missed lessons or for two extra classes if you did not miss any during the course.
- **GUESTS:** may not accompany the student during classes, including relatives.
- **CLASS MATERIALS:** The music is stimulating and thorough, written over the past twenty years by Mayron Cole. This piano method is marketed nationally and is this country’s leading group piano method. Each level’s book varies in price, \$12 to \$25.00, and lasts 4 - 9 months depending

on course level and progress rate. Additional music / materials may be added for a group, and billed to parents, on an infrequent basis.

- **ATTENDANCE:** Please, be on time. Each class has their own time slot and must be on time to receive their full lesson. I will not cut into any student's time because of tardiness. Consistent lack of attendance is grounds for dismissal.
- **RECITALS:** I have found that formal recitals create tremendous stress on the piano student. To eliminate this problem, our recitals are held at the students' regular class time on the last lesson in December and the last lesson in May.
- **PIANO CLASS INFORMATION:** Piano classes are small and each student will have the use of an electronic piano. Piano classes are 50 minutes long.
- **PRACTICING:** Students are required to practice daily. Parents must accept their responsibility in seeing that the student does the required practicing. Consistent lack of practicing is grounds for dismissal.
- **ATTITUDE OF THE STUDENT:** Studio offers the best course in music education available anywhere! Students with negative attitude will be asked to leave.
- **AGREEMENT:** By applying to, and signing the application you are agreeing to the terms as stated above, and you are acknowledging that you have read all of the school policies.
- **I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE GROUP LESSONS POLICIES OF THE JOYS OF MUSIC, INC. AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THEM.**
- **IF, FOR ANY REASON, THE STUDENT QUILTS THE COURSE, I AGREE TO PAY THROUGH THE END OF THE MONTH THE STUDENT TERMINATES.**
- **I AGREE TO PAY TUITION PAYMENTS PROMPTLY.**

SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____
(parent, guardian/or person responsible for tuition payment)

I AGREE TO PRACTICE MY CLASS ASSIGNMENT EACH DAY UNTIL MY NEXT LESSON.

SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____
(students' signature)

Student's Age: _____

I will try to create a stress free environment in your class where you can grow in your musical abilities.

SIGNED: _____
(Joy Carman, President)