**PIANO LESSONS**

**Fairfax County School Year August 28 2017 - June 18, 2018**

**Summer July and August 2018**

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Beginning August 28, 2017 to June 18, 2018, I will teach piano at my house or at *It’s Elementary*. Playing the piano is fun and rewarding as it provides students a lifelong way to entertain themselves and others. Also, piano playing increases self-confidence, coordination and discipline. My lessons include technique, theory, and popular and classical pieces, as well opportunities to perform at Senior Citizens centers and an end of year recital.

The school year tuition is as follows:

* 30 min. lesson $1,550 ($155. per month for 10 months) + $60 for materials
* 60 min. lesson $2,950 ($295. per month for 10 months) + $60 for materials

Students who have lessons during the 2016-17 year have priority (same slot as last year) up to **August 15,** for scheduling the 2017-2018 lessons***. To reserve a lesson time, please mail me a non-refundable $60.00 deposit plus your first month’s tuition no later than August 15 (i.e. $215 for 30 min.; $355 for 60 min.)*** The deposit reserves your slot, allows me to purchase books and materials, and provides group event refreshments. **Beginning August 16, I will open up my schedule on a “first come, first serve” basis.**

After the initial payment, 1/10 of the annual tuition ($155 for 30 min. and $295 for 60 min.) is **due no later than the 15th of each month** (e.g. due September 15 for the month of Sept. 15-Oct. 15). The last payment for school year is due May 15. Checks can be mailed or dropped off at my house, automated banking online bill payment setup, or post date 10 checks for the 15th of each month.

In some months, students may have more lessons than other months, however the monthly payments remain constant.

**Summer 2018**: July and August 2018 lesson fees are “per lesson”:

* 30 minute lesson - $40
* 60 minute lesson - $80

**Makeup Lessons:**

Parents are responsible for requesting makeup lessons. Makeup lessons are to be completed by June 30, 2018 or forfeited.

For lessons students miss:

* Students are entitled to three (3) makeup lessons on designated Saturdays or school holidays. I will send out the makeup dates in the fall, winter and spring. **Those of you in schools not following Fairfax County school calendar, I will provide up to two extra lessons to be completed by June 30, 2018.** If a student misses a lesson and cannot make it up, he/she pays for the missed lesson.

For lessons I miss:

* If I miss a lesson, **other than the “not teaching” days listed below,** you have a choice of a makeup lesson or a credit. (credit is $40 per 30 min. and $80 per 60 min.).

**I am not teaching the following days. There will no make-ups for these days off nor credit provided**.

 November 20-24

 December 18 - January 1, 2018

 March 26-30 2018

I recommend that each student:

Practice at home on a tuned piano;

Practice between 20 minutes a day to 1 hour depending on age;

Practice with a metronome some of the time;

Bring books, assignment notebook and manuscript staff paper to each lesson;

Have a music dictionary at home for reference.