

MUSIC LESSONS - FOR A LIFETIME OF ENJOYMENT

Congratulations on choosing to participate in music lessons! Music has been found to enrich the lives of all who participate in its creation or enjoyment. When you choose to take music lessons or give them to someone you love, you are choosing to learn a skill that will benefit you and bring you joy your entire life! No price can be put on such a beautiful art as music. Yet, obtaining the skill will certainly require assistance from a professional—your music teacher.

Music is my business and my occupation. As with any business, costs are calculated to both ensure that the highest quality product is given and that the business makes enough profit to continue providing their services.

No price can be put on such a beautiful art as music, but by investing in your child's music education, you can provide them with a skill they will enjoy for a lifetime!

So what does my yearly tuition cover?

- Time spent with the student
Lessons, classes, group lessons.
- Time spent preparing for the student
Searching for music, lesson planning, bookkeeping, development of curriculum, etc. It has been cited by professional music journals that for every hour enrolled in piano lessons, you are investing in at least 3 hours of the teacher's time!
- My training and experience
- Recital costs and preparation
Programs, refreshments, facility rental.
- Professional organization memberships are maintained are to enhance my own teaching skills and provide the student with opportunities for festivals, competitions, and performance events.
- Studio expenses
Copying, computer software, incentive programs, instruments, tunings, repairs, newsletters.
- Professional journals
Publications to stay current on new teaching materials and trends.
- Music books, supplemental materials, studio licenses
Materials purchased are to keep costs low for students including digital music that can be printed at the lesson.
- Cost of studio incentives that are held throughout the year
- Property taxes, self-employment taxes, insurances, business licenses, retirement.
- Music teachers has no employer to assist in providing health and life insurance by matching funds. Tuition helps cover the increased living costs.
- Continuing education
Lessons and classes that keeps me current on methods and techniques to help your child succeed!
- Certification costs
Being an independent music teacher I pay to be re-certified every year provided I have met all the continuing education and studio requirements. This keeps me accountable to a professional organization.