

# EVAN'S LESSONS

## Private Music Lesson Policy

### **ABOUT ME:**

My name is Evan Anderson and I am a musician! I have been a musician for well over 30 years. I have studied music in an educational setting for more than 9 years so I have personal experience from middle school through college level learning. More than 20 years of my time as a musician has been spent as an educator. I am passionate about what I do and want everyone to love it.

- I will do my part to help each student reach their musical goals and potential.
- I teach the individual and adjust as the need arises to cater to the strengths and weaknesses of each student.
- I teach students a well rounded approach (music theory, proper technique and different styles of music and musical settings).
- I teach each student how to practice and how to perform.
- I provide a positive and fun atmosphere where musical learning can happen!

### **STUDENT EXPECTATIONS:**

- The student is expected to HAVE FUN in their lessons and in their personal practice. Music is supposed to be enjoyable!
- The student is expected to arrive on time to each lesson.
- The student is expected to bring all necessary materials (notebook, folder, lesson books, sticks, instrument etc.) to each lesson.
- The student is expected to practice regularly - regular, frequent practice is far better than few, long sessions. I will discuss effective practice schedules regularly!
- The student is expected to be an active participant in each lesson.
- The student is expected to ask questions and let me know when further clarification is needed, allowing the student to be fully engaged in the learning process.
- The student is expected to treat him/herself, instruments, materials, and the teacher with respect.

### **PARENT EXPECTATIONS:**

- Support the fulfillment of your child's responsibilities. Consistency is the key to learning a musical instrument! This means showing up to lessons, practice and performances.
- Encourage progress regardless of their ability or pace of learning.
- Remind your son/daughter of daily practice and help them to schedule this practice time in their daily routine.
- Provide a practice environment that is free from interruptions and somewhat private.
- Be financially responsible and pay tuition. For questions regarding tuition and your account please email me.

- Communicate with me about questions or concerns you have regarding the student.

**TUITION RATES:** Tuition is a monthly flat rate due whether your child attends his/her lesson or not. I will always do my best to be available for the time you have reserved! (See Cancellations below). Tuition remains the same each month regardless of the number of weeks in the month - this makes bookkeeping easier for all parties.

- Your monthly tuition reserves you the day and time for your son/daughters' lesson.
- Lessons are billed monthly at a rate of \$150 per month unless special arrangements have been made. This includes one 30 minute lesson per week at a regularly occurring time.
- Single lesson/consultation rates of \$75 per hour are also available.
- Tuition is due at the first lesson of every month - preferably no later than the 10th of the month - or at the time of the scheduled single lesson/consultation.

**PAYMENT:** Currently, I accept cash, check, Venmo, PayPal or Zelle as payment methods. If this poses a problem for your family, please let me know. Checks can be made out to Evan Anderson or Evan's Lessons.

**SCHEDULING:** All lessons are scheduled on a first come, first serve basis. I will endeavor to work with your busy schedule, but I cannot promise to hold any time slot for future dates or due to extended absences.

**CANCELLATIONS:** Any lesson missed by the student will be your responsibility, unless otherwise agreed upon. Letting me know as soon as possible will allow us to make arrangements, but I do not promise the ability to schedule a makeup lesson. When absence is due to illness, emergency or scheduled vacation times, I will waive the fee for that lesson. If the absence is a result of opting to do something else rather than be at the scheduled lesson, I am inclined to leave the fee in place. I ask for a commitment the same way a sports program or club does.

If I am unavailable to give any scheduled lesson due to illness or other circumstances, the lesson will be carried forward to another agreed date. If this is not possible, any fee already paid will be refunded or used as a balance forward for the next month.

**Photo and Video Release:** From time to time, I will use photos or videos of my students on my website and other locations. This media serves to highlight the accomplishments of the students learning and the atmosphere of the studio. They love seeing their photos and videos. Students are only identified by first name if at all. If you wish to exempt your child's imagery from being published, please let me know.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_