

Wyatt Piano Studio

Studio Policies

Attendance

- A student unable to attend his regularly scheduled lesson may arrange a trade with another student for that week. Students are provided with a lesson schedule and a studio directory for that purpose.
- Arrangements for trading are the responsibility of the party needing to make the change.
- Advance notice of cancellations or trades must be given at least 24 hours in advance.
- Lessons missed by the student for any reason other than inclement weather (see below) cannot be made up.
- One lesson missed due to inclement weather may be declared a "snow day." This lesson may be made up at the close of the academic term. No more than one snow day may be made up. All snow days must be rescheduled no later than August 31 of any given year.
- Regularly scheduled lessons missed by the teacher are given at the close of the school term, or during the summer term.
- There are no refunds or credits for missed lessons.

Group Classes

- Group classes are scheduled periodically throughout the academic year to provide students with a relaxed, supportive atmosphere in which to perform their repertoire and to discuss musical topics.
- Once a student's musical skills and maturity level are deemed appropriate for group interaction, he/she is placed in a group with which he is compatible.
- There is no adjustment in tuition if a student is not yet ready for group classes (as determined by Dr. Wyatt), or if he chooses not to attend classes.
- Students not attending any given group class must give notice of this prior to class day.
- If a student gives a verbal commitment to perform in class, he is expected to attend and to play the repertoire assigned.
- It is the student's responsibility to keep track of group class dates and times, as well as any changes in scheduling that may occur.

Recitals/Performances

- There are at least two formal student recitals per year. The annual Spring Recital is held in May or June; other recitals are scheduled earlier in the academic year.
- All students participating in these student recitals are expected to attend the scheduled rehearsals, and must demonstrate that the music to be programmed is performance-ready.
- The teacher reserves the right to withdraw a student from any public performance – including our studio recitals, as well as festivals and competitions – at any time. It is understood that the teacher's judgment on such matters is respected.

Summer Lessons

- Four summer lessons are given beginning at the close of the academic term and no later than August 31 of any given year.
- Lessons are scheduled to accommodate individual plans of both student and teacher.
- Make-up lessons are available at the teacher's discretion for summer months only.
- No lessons are made up for any reason without advance notice of cancellation.
- There are no refunds, credits, or adjustments in tuition for missed summer lessons.
- All payments are due in full regardless of the student's availability for summer lessons.

Lesson Termination

- It is understood that a student is committed to study in the Wyatt Piano Studio for a full calendar year, beginning in September through and including the following August. This commitment includes financial responsibility for the full year's tuition.
- A student who does not intend to complete the academic year must give one month's notice.
- Lessons may be terminated by the teacher at any time, including before the close of the academic year, in the event of the following: repeated failure to prepare assigned material, irregular attendance, failure to pay tuition, or disrespectful/poor attitude.

Practice Policy

- Consistent daily practice is required.
- When a student commits to piano lessons in the Wyatt Piano Studio, it is understood that he is willing to create time for practice on a regular, daily basis.
- Together the student and teacher will determine a minimum daily practice time for each individual.