

Welcome to my flute studio! I believe that taking private lessons is one of the best ways to improve as a musician; no matter what your goals or aspirations, there is something to learn from music. Music teaches us to express ourselves, communicate non-verbally, accept challenges, and to learn that there is always something to strive for. I am constantly learning and working to improve as a musician and flutist myself. It can be frustrating at times, but always rewarding to do something that gives us endless opportunity for growth and expression! Here are a few important things regarding my lesson policies. I am looking forward to working with you!

Payment and cancellation policies-

- Lessons will be divided into monthly payments and collected on the first lesson of each month.
- No-shows and same day cancellations will still be charged (unless I receive at least 24 hours notice).
 - *There are no make-up lessons for no-shows or same day cancellations.*
- I will do my best to make up lessons cancelled within 24 hours but cannot guarantee a time slot
- Please let me know as soon as possible about any planned vacations so we can plan a makeup lesson before the semester ends.

Practice expectations-

Each student comes to me with different goals, learning styles, and schedules. Practicing is an integral part of success and it is my expectation that students will practice at home. Lessons are more fun when progress is made between meetings. It is important that practicing happens every day rather than only once or twice a week. Like athletes, you are developing new muscles and these muscles need to be used every day in order to learn and grow. We will decide together what an appropriate amount of time should be spent. I will help you figure out how to use your time to improve. Practicing is not easy! It is not always fun either, but the outcome of your practicing will be fun!

Lesson materials-

When you sign up for lessons, I will send you a list of books that I would like you to have. This will be periodically updated as you improve and need more advanced materials. Along with the books (and your flute), I would like you to have the following materials. If you need help finding any of these, you can always call or email or ask at your lesson.

- metronome
- tuner (you can often find a metronome/tuner combination)
- staff paper
- pencil
- notebook for keeping track of lesson assignments