

2022-2023 Studio Policies and Information

September , 2022

A big welcome to new and returning students for the 2022-2023 teaching year. This document contains my studio policies, as well as other important information. Your signature indicates your consent with the policies contained herein. My goal is to provide a fun atmosphere where students find true enjoyment in music, coupled with a sense of working towards meaningful goals. I am looking forward to a productive and fun year!

-Nicholas Walker

Payment Policy

Rates for the 2022-2023 year are as follows: \$55/1hr, and \$30/30min. Payment is required in advance for each month's lessons. Post-dated cheques, cash or major credit/debit cards with the tap function enabled can all be accepted at the first lesson of each month.

Scheduling and Cancellation Policy

The teacher and students (or parents) will agree upon a weekly lesson time. Lessons missed or cancelled by the student will not be made up, except in the following cases with at least 24hrs notice:

- a) illness
- b) family emergency
- c) school exam

Lessons missed for the above reasons will be made up at a mutually agreed time; all other missed/cancelled lessons will be assessed the full lesson fee, with no obligation to be rescheduled.

From time to time, lessons may be rescheduled by me as my performing schedule dictates. I will make every attempt to keep these to a minimum, with ample notice given. If at the end of the month, there are lessons owed by me which are unable to be made up, a refund will be issued or applied to next months lessons.

If students wish to discontinue lessons, one months noticed must be given and paid, regardless of the student's attendance for the final month.

Materials

Students are expected to provide a binder in which lesson notes and other resources may be kept. Where appropriate, I will provide copies of music, but there is an expectation that students purchase their own music where required. Sheet music may be purchased online, or from local music

retailers. I will assist in the acquisition of such materials whenever the need arises. Drum sticks should also be brought to each lesson.

Lesson Procedures

Students are to arrive on time to each lesson. In the case of late arrival, there is no obligation for the lost time to be made up. It is essential that students bring all required materials to each lesson. Parents/siblings are welcome to observe lessons if they wish; in fact, it can be useful for parents to observe from time to time in order to facilitate their child's practice habits. If a student arrives while another lesson is ongoing, they may feel free to quietly unpack and prepare for their turn as the other lesson is finished.

Home Practice

It is essential that students complete habitual practice during the week to improve their skills. Students will be given weekly practice assignments which should be completed before each lesson.

Contact

My preferred form of contact is email, but text messaging or phone calls are acceptable. I will not communicate directly with elementary-aged students, but with their parent(s). Secondary school-aged students and older are free to contact me directly if desired.

My email address:

percussionnw@gmail.com

My cellular phone number:

(519)670-8986

Signature and Consent

The signatures below of Parents and/or Students 18 years or older signify that the signee(s) have read the policies laid out in this form, and the signee(s) consent to abide by them. Feel free to ask if you have any questions.
