

# Lewisonian School for Strings Lesson Policies

## LESSONS SHOULD BE PAID ONE MONTH IN ADVANCE

The lesson fee is due on the first scheduled lesson of each month and is to be paid in full. Missing the first scheduled lesson does not extend the tuition due date. Failure to pay tuition on a timely basis may result in the loss of a student's designated time slot.

### **Lesson Fees for Katherine Dorn Lewis**

\$60.00 - Half Hour (for ages 10 & under)

\$85.00 – 45 minute lesson

\$110.00 - One Hour

### **Lesson Fees for Eric Lewis**

\$ 250.00 a lesson

## THE PROGRAM INCLUDES 35 LESSONS BETWEEN SEPTEMBER – JUNE

### **July & August**

Katherine & Eric will be teaching in July & August. The days they teach are Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 1:30pm to 7:00pm. You may pay them per lesson during these two months. You may schedule a lesson week to week or take off during the summer. We have noticed taking lessons during the summer accelerates progress.

DO NOT EXPECT TO DO WELL IN AN AUDITION IF...

You only have one or two lessons during the summer before the audition date.

PLAN AHEAD

## **ATTENDANCE POLICY**

Attendance is expected on a regular basis even if you are doing a sport.

**MAKE SURE YOU CONTACT US NO LATER THAN 24 hours before the lesson.**

Excessive absences may result in the loss of a preferred time slot. DO NOT USE as excuses:

“Too much homework”

“I'm too tired”

“I didn't practice this week” ...or sports

**THERE WILL BE NO MAKE UP LESSONS FOR LAST MINUTE CANCELLATIONS. NO-SHOWS OR MISSED LESSONS.**

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You will be charged for the lessons (no refund). We require at least 24 hours notice to cancel a lesson, except in extreme emergencies. There will be only TWO make-up lessons a semester for these cases except in EXTREME situations.

IF KATHERINE OR ERIC NEED TO CANCEL A LESSON THEY WILL...

make up the lesson at a convenient time for both parties, please be aware that sometimes they have rehearsals and performances so it is quite possible that they may need to reschedule a lesson.

IF YOU (THE STUDENT) ARE LATE FOR A LESSON THE FEE IS THE SAME

Kathy & Eric will try to give you an extra 5 minutes if the other student doesn't mind waiting or if there is no one after you. Try to be on time for a lesson. Allow plenty of time for traffic to get to the lesson on time. It can be pretty hectic on Mill Plain Road, especially during rush hour.

## **SNOW DAYS**

We will plan to hold lessons on most school snow days, as the roads are usually clear by the afternoon. If you feel you cannot negotiate the roads please call us as soon as possible, preferably by noon. These lessons will be made up. We will also Facetime or Skype the lesson.

**PLEASE CALL OUR LISTED PHONE NUMBERS TO CONTACT US ON THE DAY OF YOUR LESSON IF THERE IS A PROBLEM.**

**KATHERINE HOME: 203-798-6073**

**CELL: 203-240-1781**

**ERIC HOME: 203-778-0167**

DO NOT TRY TO CONTACT US BY EMAIL TO CANCEL A LESSON AT THE LAST MINUTE!

## **RECITALS**

There will be TWO recitals, Spring & Fall, followed by a reception.

## **STUDENT PROGRESS**

Each student's progress will be periodically evaluated and discussed with the student and parents. Continued lack of preparation and/or missed lessons may result in the dismissal of the student.

## **HAVE A LESSON EVERY WEEK !!**

It is very important that the student has a lesson every week even if he or she has not practiced! Keep those lessons happening every week or you will lose your momentum! If you do not commit to practicing and lessons regularly you will forget what we've worked on in the lesson and then the practice sessions will be much too empty. In the "Good Practices & Habits" you will see: Practice times should be 30 minutes for beginners, One hour for intermediate and

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TWO hours for advanced. This can be possible with all of the demands for school homework, and other activities. Basically, do what you can and if you can do more, you will become better..

## **PARENTS PLEASE NOTE**

Sometimes it is important for parents to encourage and monitor the students practicing. But it is important that parents are not overbearing and expect their child to do more than they can at the time. Every child has different strengths and weaknesses. Students progress at different rates of speed. **IT IS IMPORTANT NOT TO PLAY THE COMPARISON GAME OR BECOME HYPER-COMPETITIVE. HEALTHY COMPETITIVE HABITS OF THOUGHT ARE IMPORTANT FOR GROWING MINDS AND BODIES!**

## **GO TO CONCERTS!!!**

## **PLAY CLASSICAL MUSIC IN YOUR HOME AND CAR!!!**

Questions:

If you have any questions you can reach us at:

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*Thank you for your consideration!*