#### **HUTTON MUSIC STUDIOS POLICY**

### **PRACTICE**

Daily practice for at least five days of the week is expected. Length of practice will vary based on the student's level of advancement. It is the parent's responsibility to schedule and enforce daily practice. The weekly assignments should be viewed as "homework." Completion of homework and thorough preparation of assignments for each lesson is expected.

The discipline of daily practice leads to progress which fuels motivation to continue to practice and progress.

Parents are expected to be actively involved in practicing with beginners and young children until they reach an age where they can be more self-directed in their practicing. Students who do not practice regularly will be placed on probation for the remainder of the year, and if the situation does not improve, may be dropped from the studio at the end of a year.

### **TUITION**

Tuition is due before or on the 1st of each month.

A flat-rate system is used for tuition. Monthly installments are structured so that regardless of the number of lesson weeks in each month, the tuition remains a flat, predictable amount. Pre-planned absences and holiday breaks have also been factored into the rate. Tuition reflects all teaching weeks for the entire year, with a brief break for part of the summer. Tuition will be split up into 11 monthly installments (August 1-June 1). See calendar for other various scheduled breaks throughout the year.

TUITION RATES

30 minute lesson = 125/month
45 minute lesson = 180/month
60 minute lesson = 240/month

# PAYMENT INFORMATION

HMS accepts cash, check (made payable to "Meghan Hutton"), Venmo (@meghanhutton88), or Apple Pay. It is recommended that checks are sent ahead of time post-dated to ensure timeliness.

There will be a \$10 late fee applied for each day the tuition is late.

Lessons will not be taught until the tuition for the month has been paid

# MAKE-UP LESSONS

#### STUDENT ABSENCES

Student absences are built into the flat-rate tuition system. In the event a student is not able to come to the studio for reasons not limited to but including inclement weather, feeling under the weather but well enough to participate virtually, etc., Zoom/FaceTime is an alternate option that may be offered.

#### **TEACHER ABSENCES**

In the event that the teacher must cancel a lesson, a make-up lesson or a substitute teacher will always be offered. If a make-up lesson or substitute is not possible due to schedule conflicts, a lesson credit will be applied to the next tuition payment.

Tuition reserves an exclusive weekly time in the teacher's schedule. Makeup lessons are not guarenteed unless the teacher cancels the lesson.

#### **WITHDRAWAL**

Should a student choose to withdraw from lessons, please give notice 30 days prior.

Withdrawing from lessons permanently forfeits the student's time slot—the student is not guaranteed a lesson slot if he or she chooses to resume lessons at a later date. Unused lessons will not be refunded.

HMS reserves the right to terminate lessons if a student is not cooperative, making progress, or if tuition is continually not paid on time.

## **RECITALS**

Studio recitals will be held in December and June. Recital pieces are chosen approximately eight weeks before the recital date and are subject to a hearing two weeks before the recital date to ensure that students are prepared to have a positive performance experience.

See the studio calendar for recital dates.

# HUTTON MUSIC STUDIOS CALENDAR

Tuesday, August 1	Lessons Begin
Friday, September 1-8	Studio Closed
Monday, September 11	Classes Resume
Tuesday, November 21-24	Studio Closed - Thanksgiving Break
Monday, November 27	Classes Resume
Sunday, December 17	Christmas Recital
Tuesday, December 19 - January 1	Studio Closed - Christmas Break
Monday, January 2	Lessons Resume
Monday, March 17-24	Studio Closed - Spring Break
Monday, March 25	Lessons Resume
Monday, May 27	Studio Closed - Memorial Day
Sunday, June 9	Spring Recital
Friday, June 14	Last Day of Classes
Saturday, June 15-August 1	Studio Closed - Summer Break

# HUTTON MUSIC STUDIO REGISTRATION FORM

Student's Full Name:	Date of Birth:	
Grade this school year: School:		
Email Address:		
Phone Number(s):		
(Parent)	Date	
I AGREE TO PRACTICING AT HOME REGUL LESSONS FOR THE 2023-2024 YEAR SIGNATURE:	ARLY AND WISH TO ENROLL IN	
(Student)	Date	
MEDIA CONSENT		
Initial if Yes, leave blank No		
Student names & pictures may be posted on	the studio social media pages & website.	
Student performance videos may be uploaded	d to social media.	