

Dear WSS Families,

Welcome to our 2022-23 season! Please read this letter carefully as some of our policies and/or programs have changed.

First, I want to thank you for your support during our trials with Covid as we made every endeavor to maintain the health and welfare of our faculty, students, and families.

Health Safety

Masks will still be required in common areas (entrance foyer, stairwell, and upper landing). Individual teachers will decide upon guidelines regarding masks and hand sanitation for their own studio rooms. Toilet facilities are available on both levels. If someone in your family tests positive for Covid please notify your teacher.

Make-up Policy

Our no make-up policy will remain in place with one change. The last week of each term will be "make-up" week. Each student who has missed one or more lessons will be entitled to this one make-up. Students who do not qualify for a make-up lesson may pay the instructor for an extra lesson that week.

Tuition

WSS has not made a tuition increase during the last five years. Now, we have had to increase our lesson fees as follows:

15 minutes - \$19.00

30 minutes - \$37.50

45 minutes - \$56.00

60 minutes - \$75.00

Tuition Payment Policy

Your school calendar contains information about the tuition payment schedule. One option is to pay the tuition bill in full by the date specified. The other option consists of four monthly payments each due on a particular date in September, October, November, and December which covers all lessons through the end of January. Late payments are assessed \$10.00 for every missed date. Here is an example: Payment is neglected until November. Total owed would be three payments plus \$20.00 late fee.

Credit cards and on-line payments are not accepted. Cash and checks are the only means of payment. If you have questions about this policy, please contact Nancy for clarification.

Group Classes

Group classes have always been an integral part of Suzuki pedagogy and WSS will reinstitute the practice beginning with this session, offering classes in violin and piano. Students are required to participate in these group classes.

For the fall session, there will be two scheduled group classes primarily for Suzuki Violin Levels 1, 2, and 3. The tentative dates are on the school calendar and students' schedules. A fee of \$10.00 per classes will be charged for each meeting and this charge will appear on the tuition statements. The exact times for the group sessions will be determined before the term begins. Repertoire lists will be set by mid-September to allow all students to prepare.

There will also be two piano group classes designated for students in Suzuki Piano Levels 1 and 2. Students at higher levels may participate if they would like to do so.

The charge will be \$10.00 per class. The dates for these sessions will appear on the school calendar. All other students will not have lessons scheduled for those weeks.

Recital

The fall recital date is listed on the school calendar. Actual recital times will be determined by the teachers in January.

I wish all of you good progress in your musical development for this session. Enjoy and be well.

Sincerely,

Nancy