

Lifesong *MUSIC* Studio Information, Policies & Descriptions

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Private Instruction in Piano, Voice, Violin, Drums, Guitar & Saxophone

30 minutes weekly, \$120/month, one-on-one instruction

Stop by the Front Desk or call 817-421-0616 for available lesson times. Enrollment in music lessons is open throughout the season and based on availability.

Elementary Vocal Ensemble (Grades 1-3)

30 minutes weekly, \$50/month, 3-6 students (minimum enrollment for a class is 3 students)

Mondays 4:15-4:45 in Studio 1

Taught by Kristie Goodman, this is a fun, non-threatening entry into singing. Emphasis is on vocal production, how the various parts of the body work together to become the voice, and how to warm up and take care of your instrument. Using basic exercises, we will build a stronger, more versatile voice while building confidence. This is the perfect place to start for young vocalists!

Music Performance Groups

Playing and performing with a group takes the student to the next level of musicianship. Along with the weekly practice time, the group will have opportunities to perform in our local community. Participation is by audition only. Enrollment in private lessons at Lifesong Studio is required. Music Performance Groups rehearse weekly for one hour. For audition information, contact Ludo Baccherini, Lifesong Music Director at ludo.baccherini@lifesongstudio.com or call 817-421-0616.

Lifesong Studio Registration Fee

Registration in the current Season is required for all students at Lifesong.

\$40 First Family Member / \$10 Each Additional Family Member

Tuition

Music tuition is based on the number of lessons per semester and then divided into equal monthly payments. Therefore, tuition is the same regardless of the number of lessons in a month. Tuition is due on the 1st lesson of the month and considered late if received after the 10th day of the month. Lessons are pro-rated ONLY if a student begins after the first week of the month leaving less than 4 lessons in that month. Exception: August tuition is pro-rated at half for all students. Tuition is NOT pro-rated or refunded for personal absences or studio holidays. Please refer to our absence policy for more information.

Music Recital Fees - \$20 Individual or \$35 Family

Students in the Music Studio are encouraged to participate in our recital at the end of each semester. Recitals are not mandatory but strongly encouraged. Performance is an important part of becoming a mature and confident musician. Performances also provide students with the opportunity to share their hard work with their families, friends and fellow students. Recital Fees are used to offset the costs of facility usage, programs, awards, and other expenses associated with the performance. Recital fees are due on or before November 1st for the Fall Semester and on or before April 1st for the Spring Semester. Recital fees are non-refundable.

Attendance & Make-Up Policy

Tuition for private lessons is a reservation and guarantee of a standing weekly appointment with your teacher. There are two kinds of absences – EXCUSED and UNEXCUSED.

1. In order for an absence to be **EXCUSED** and eligible for private make-up, the absence must be due to illness or family emergency only and the instructor must be contacted directly by 12pm on the day of the scheduled lesson, although we appreciate as much notice as possible for any planned absences. Each student will be allowed no more than 2 private make-ups per semester.
2. An absence will be considered **UNEXCUSED** if notification is made after 12pm on the day of the scheduled lesson or if there is no call or no show.
3. Lessons will be automatically terminated if a student misses 2 consecutive lessons with no verbal communication to the teacher.
4. Missed lessons due to the teacher's absence will be rescheduled for a private makeup.
5. **NO REFUNDS.**

Withdrawal Policy

Enrollment in classes or lessons at Lifesong continues from mid-August through May. **The Front Desk must be notified of withdrawal** from any class or lesson prior to the beginning of the month in order to stop tuition for the next month. All withdrawals are written in our "Add/Drop" book at the time of notification. **Failure to properly notify the Front Desk** will result in tuition continuing to be charged to your account. By enrolling in a class or private lesson, you have reserved a spot that could be released for someone else. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding of this policy.

Practice Time & Parental Support

Regular and consistent practice time outside of the lesson is vital to the progress and development of the student musically. Ideally, the student should be very comfortable and confident with new concepts by the end of a good week of practice. The teacher will advise each student individually regarding recommended practice time. The more you put into it, the more you will get out of it! Parental encouragement, support and involvement, is essential to the student's progress, especially younger children.