



Paul Roth Piano Lessons

FAQ's and Policies

Students attend either a 30 or 40 minute lesson once each week. Lessons focus primarily on technique and repertoire as well as musicianship and creative skills.

Practice

Regular practice is essential for a student success. Ideally, students should aim for at least 5 days of practice each week. Short, daily, goal oriented, practice sessions are more effective than one or two long sessions per week. The most important time for students to practice is right after their lesson, when the new material they've learned is still fresh. It's not a good idea to wait until the

end of the week, and then rush to practice right before the next lesson.

Parental involvement in practicing is essential for the student's success. Please help your student to establish and stick to a practice routine. If you are the parent of an elementary age student, please plan to sit with your child for at least a portion of their daily practice time. Even if you have no music experience, your presence will help to keep your child focused.

Attendance

Students are expected to attend each scheduled lesson. When you register for lessons, your timeslot is reserved for you and no one else can schedule a lesson on that day / time. **No refunds will be given for missed lessons, except due to illness or an emergency,** in which case, I will credit an amount overpaid, in the next month's invoice. If you need to skip a lesson for any other reason, please contact me with as much advance notice as possible, and I will offer a make-up date for the missed lesson. No more than one make-up lesson per month is allowed.

Any lessons missed by me, due to illness or emergency will be rescheduled as soon as possible.

Summer lessons

Students are required to attend a minimum of 5 lessons between July and August to guarantee their chosen spot on the Fall calendar.

Equipment

All students must have an acoustic piano or digital piano at home. The quality of the student's home instrument plays a significant role in their potential for success.

Acoustic pianos should be tuned at least once a year, and kept in working order. If you prefer a digital piano, please invest in a full-size keyboard (88 keys) with weighted, touch-sensitive keys and pedals. Ask me for recommendations for which piano or keyboard to purchase if you are unsure.

Cost of Lessons

Lessons are paid quarterly, in advance. Payments may be made 50% in advance and the remaining amount due in two payments.

Current rates for 2023/24

30 Minute Lesson: \$45 40 Minute Lesson: \$50

Students and Parents who pay for lessons on a quarterly basis in advance, will receive a 5% discount.

Students will need to purchase lesson books and music, on occasion, throughout the year.

Students should plan to commit to lessons for the full school year. If unforeseen circumstances require a student to terminate lessons mid-year, one month's notice is requested.

Media Release

Photos of students, video and audio recordings may be posted on my website. Identifying information will be excluded or limited to first names only. Parents wishing to exempt their students from any published media may do so by providing a written exclusion request.