

## Raymaker Piano Studio Policies, 2022-2023

Email: [helen@raymakerpiano.com](mailto:helen@raymakerpiano.com) Phone: 847-226-2967

1927 Farnsworth Lane, Northbrook IL 60062

Calendar dates as of 6/11/22

### Semester 1, August 15 – January 13

- Repertoire class weeks of September 19, October 24, December 12
- Fall break September 26 – October 7
- Winter break December 19 – January 2

**Holiday gathering:** Sunday, December 11

### Semester 2, January 16 – June 9

- Repertoire class weeks of February 20, April 3
- Spring break March 20 - March 31

**Spring performance:** Sunday, May 21

## SEMESTER

Each semester includes:

- 16 private lessons,
- 2 Repertoire studio-wide classes,
- 2 popup classes grouped by age,
- 1 performance. All of these are included in your tuition.

## ATTENDANCE

If you have to miss a lesson, there are a number of options available.

- If you let me know in advance and I have a cancellation, I will contact you.
- I can record a video lesson in advance and send it to you to have the student watch at their convenience.
- Wednesday I will have a slot for one-off lesson conflicts like illness, finals/AP, holidays that conflict with the studio calendar. 24 hour notice is required to book a Wednesday lesson.
- Because Wednesday is now an overflow day, there will be no more Flex weeks.

If you have a sport or production that will cause you to miss a lesson for more than a week, please try to arrange a swap with another family in the studio. Many families have swapped and I appreciate their flexibility. Swap list will be sent after the start of 1<sup>st</sup> Semester.

Lessons are scheduled on nearly all Monday holidays. There are no makeup lessons. The studio tuition reserves your child's exclusive lesson time throughout the piano year, whether he/she takes a lesson or not. Tuition also covers the Repertoire and Pop-up classes, performances, get-togethers, lesson planning, research and continuing education, subscriptions, etc. Thank you in advance for your understanding. If I have to miss a lesson I will offer a mutually agreeable alternative.

Each lesson will end on time, regardless of the time it begins. I will contact you five minutes into the lesson time if you're not on Zoom. Without contact after ten minutes, the lesson will be considered skipped (not eligible for Wednesday overflow).

## **INSTRUMENT**

After beginning lessons, a student will progress much faster with either a quality upright acoustic piano or an 88-key touch-sensitive keyboard. A touch-sensitive keyboard allows you to play louder or softer by pressing down the key at different speeds. The keyboard should have a sustaining pedal, which sustains the sound when you let go of the key. I would be happy to discuss options with you.

## **PHOTOS**

Pictures and videos of my students may be posted on my studio website, in studio publicity, or on studio social media with no names attached.

My signature below means that I have read and understood the studio policies on the previous page.  
This signed page plus the \$80 Studio fee reserves your space in the studio.



Date\_\_\_\_\_