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Dear students and parents,

Welcome to the Stephanie Shelden Music Studio! I am looking forward to working with you, and I hope we accomplish great things together. This studio policy serves as a contract, intended to establish expectations for lessons, payments, cancellation and rescheduling policies, and student practicing requisites.

Lesson Policies:

Lessons are arranged on a semester basis with a minimum of 16 lessons during the fall semester and 18 lessons in the spring semester. Accommodations can be made if you join the studio mid-semester.

Short term lessons (fewer than 16) are only available for specific occasions/projects (role preparation, audition prep, all city/state). This is not recommended as progress is more limited and outcomes may not end in the desired result due to time constraint.

Summer lesson availability is dependent on the teacher's festival performance season.

Students will establish a practice schedule with their teacher and are expected to follow through. This schedule is dependent on the age and experience of the student.

Lesson cancellation policy:

Student cancellations due to illness may be made up if the teacher is notified in advance and a suitable time is available. This does not guarantee the lesson will be made up, and the student is still responsible for paying for the missed lesson.

Credit will be issued for missed lessons only if the teacher must cancel.

Please text if a lesson must be cancelled.

Tuition/Fees:

Semester tuition for the fall for 45-minute lessons is \$560 payable by semester or divided into five installments of \$112 due the first lesson of each month. For the spring, tuition is \$630 or five installments of \$126 due the first lesson of each month.

Semester tuition for one-hour lessons during the fall semester is \$640 or five installments of \$128 due the first lesson of each month. Spring tuition for one-hour lessons is \$720 or five installments of \$144 due the first lesson of each month.

If it is known at the beginning of a semester that either the 16 or 18 lessons cannot be completed for various reasons or that not all previous semester lessons were completed, the difference will be noted in that student's bill.

Students enrolling in short-term lessons are billed at \$35 for a 45-minute lesson and \$40 for a one-hour lesson.

Some music will need to be purchased. If so, the teacher will write the name and cost of the music in the student's notebook or email the student and/or parent.

All payments are made using Venmo to @Stephanie-Shelden.

Performances/Competitions:

Students are encouraged to participate in all city/state auditions as well as NATS (National Association of Teachers of Singing) competitions and to audition for shows.

End of semester recitals are dependent on student enrollment.

Miscellaneous:

Students are expected to bring the following materials to their lessons:

Singers: Water, pencil and notebook (iPad and pencil acceptable), metronome (phone app acceptable), 3-ring binder with music, copy of music must be emailed to the teacher, any assigned music books

Cellists: Cello, bow, rosin, rock-stop, soft cloth, dampit, metronome (phone app acceptable), pencil and notebook (iPad and pencil acceptable), all assigned materials, etude books, orchestral music, concertos, sonatas, etc...

Parent's Signature

Teacher's Signature

Date

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