**Music Lesson Policy**

Studio of Lucas Barry

Lesson Rate

By-Session:

- $35/30 minutes

- $50/45 minutes

- $60/60 minutes

Monthly (Based on 4 lessons/month):

- $140 (four 30-minute lessons)

- $200 (four 45-minute lessons)

- $240 (four 60-minute lessons)

Introductory Lessons:

**\*Beginners only\***

- $150 (five 30-minute lessons)

- $210 (five 45-minute lessons)

- $250 (five 60-minute lessons)

Payment

All lessons shall be paid for by the session or by the month. This will be decided before-hand between Mr. Barry and the lesson participant or their parent/guardian.

All monthly payments should be made prior to the first lesson of the month.

All by-session payments should be made prior to the end of the day.

Payments accepted include: cash, check, Venmo, PayPal, Zelle, and CashApp. Account name shall be provided upon scheduling a lesson.

Missed Lessons

Any lesson cancellations should be made 24 hours prior to the planned lesson time. Exceptions will only be made for sudden illness and emergencies. Rescheduling a lesson will depend on Mr. Barry’s availability.

For those on a monthly plan:

-a cancellation with **more than** 24 hours’ notice shall be rescheduled for any date.

-a cancellation with **less than** 24 hours’ notice shall be made up within a month. For example, a cancelled January 12 lesson should be made up by February 12.

-a cancellation with **no** notice cannot be made up and will be charged as a normal lesson. \****This is also applicable to by-session lessons.***\*

Studio Expectations

A student should bring: their instrument, extra reeds (clarinet/saxophone, just in case!), music assigned from lessons or school, a pencil, and manuscript paper (recommended; look online or in your local music store).

Consistent practice is essential for musical progress. Students are expected to try practicing 5-7 times per week. Exceptions will be made for busy school/extracurricular obligations. Band class does **not** count as your practice session.

Practice time:

-beginner (0-2 years; *at least* 15 minutes per session)

-intermediate (2-5 years; *at least* 30 minutes per session)

-advanced (>5 years; *at least* 45 minutes per session)

Not enough time to practice? Even 10-15 minutes a day will begin showing marked improvement.

*Focused* practice is much more productive than distracted practice. 10 minutes of focused practice is much better than 30 minutes of practice that gets interrupted every 5 minutes.

Suspending Lessons

Students may need to suspend lessons for a variety of reasons (i.e. school finals, family vacation, major illness). Please notify Mr. Barry as soon as possible if such events occur.

Suspended lesson dates are understood to be given up for the entirety of the student’s planned leave of absence. Mr. Barry may offer the open lesson time as make up lessons for other students.

If such extended leave is decided in the middle of a monthly plan, the remaining lessons may be addressed in one of two ways:

-rescheduling the remaining lessons at no extra charge once the student returns.

-full refund of the remaining lessons. For example, if two hour-long lessons remain in the month, the student shall be refunded $120.