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Policies & Lesson Agreement

Tuition:

Tuition is \$110 dollars for four, half-hour lessons. The tuition for the next four classes is due on the last paid lesson. No lessons will be given without payment in advance. If the Instructor has not received tuition on the last paid lesson, then it is possible that the student might lose their time-slot. Responsibility pertaining to when tuition is due falls solely upon the student/parent.

All tuition payments must be paid in full by either cash or check. Please note that checks must be made payable to Stephen Denning; no credit cards are accepted. Also, tuition is completely non-refundable. The student/parent may terminate lessons at any time without notice; however, no refunds will be given in any form. Bounced checks will be subject to a twenty-dollar charge.

Reschedules & Make-ups:

Due to the fact that the time you agreed to take is solely yours, no make-ups or reschedules will be given for any missed lessons. If a make-up lesson is offered, it is at the discretion and convenience of the Instructor. Due to limited time-slots and availabilities, missed lessons will not be credited or refunded in any form. However, exceptions can be made under certain circumstances, but only at the discretion of the Instructor.

On the other hand, if the Instructor is unavailable to make the lesson for any reason, you will not be charged. Advance notice will be given for Instructor absences on the Instructor's website under the "Calendar" heading (stevedenningdrums.com). In the event a scheduled lesson falls on some major holiday such as Easter, July 4th, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas, New Years Eve, or New Years Day, etc, you will not be charged in any way. When it comes to learning, no matter the subject, consistency is very important. If you cannot consistently make your scheduled lessons, please feel free to ask the Instructor for another available day or time that might better suit your needs.

Instrument & Materials:

This Instructor teaches all students to read music. However, this Instructor takes a fun approach to music theory by starting most students out on drum-set. Since this is usually the most fun way to learn, please do not let beginners go longer than a month without a drum-set. The longer you wait to get one, the more inclined the student is to get bored and quit. In addition to purchasing an instrument, students will need sticks, and eventually, a book that will be recommended by the Instructor. It is also beneficial to purchase a small book of staff paper; however, it is not necessary.

What to Bring to the Lesson:

As far as classes are concerned, students will need to bring sticks, earplugs, books recommended by the Instructor, and any papers from the previous class to the lesson. While the Instructor does have a wide variety of songs available for students to play along with, students are encouraged to bring in their own iPods or CDs in order to better guarantee that they will learn music that they prefer to listen to.

Tuition Increases & Policy Changes:

The Instructor reserves the right to increase tuition rates at any time. Written notice will always be given prior to an increase. No increase in tuition will affect lessons that have already been paid for; the tuition increase will apply starting with the next payment of tuition due. However, the Instructor reserves the right to change any policies set forth in this document at any time without prior written notification to anyone.

Implied Agreement Through Continued Enrollment:

Any Parent/Student not in total agreement with, or acceptance of, the policies put forth in this document may not enroll in music lessons with this Instructor. Be advised that the Parent/Student's continued enrollment and/or payment of tuition implies that they have fully read and understand the policies contained in this document, and implies the Parent/Student's agreement to abide by the policies in this document without exception.