

The Music & Arts Institute

Private Lesson Policies, Guidelines, & Registration

Our Mission

The Music & Arts Institute is an extension of the First Presbyterian Church of Marietta Music Ministry. Our mission is to provide highly qualified instructors in a safe and Christian environment to students of all ages who are interested in studying a musical instrument.

It is our goal to:

- Provide excellence in instruction from highly qualified faculty who are constantly challenging students to excel.
- Provide a spiritually rich environment for the development of young people in all aspects of their character including discipline, self-control, and confidence.
- Develop future music and worship leaders.
- Build bridges between First Presbyterian Church and the community through service and outreach opportunities.

Location

- All lessons are taught at First Presbyterian Church of Marietta. We request that a parent or guardian accompany their child to the lesson and remain at the lesson or just outside the door during the duration of the lesson.

Tuition

- The rate for private instruction is:
 - \$30 for 30-minute lessons
 - \$45 for 45-minute lessons
 - \$60 for 60-minute lessons
- An annual \$20 registration fee is charged upon registration

Payment Options

- A minimum of one month's tuition is due with registration. You will then receive a payment reminder via email at the **beginning of each term**. You have the option to pay the full semester or in monthly installments. If you choose monthly payments, it is your responsibility to do so by the 5th of each month. You will **not** be billed every month.
- Tuition will be prorated for students who start after a term is in session.
- Tuition can be mailed to the church, dropped off at the front desk, or turned into Will Myers' office. You may also pay online at www.fpcmarietta.org.

Attendance Policy

- Regular daily practice and consistent weekly lessons is required in order to see improvement on any musical instrument. Regular attendance is expected of all students. You are reserving a weekly time slot in a studio and if you or your child is unable to attend, the teacher has no obligation to find another time for an additional lesson.

There will be no credits or refunds for missed lessons. Occasionally an instructor will have to cancel a lesson, which will be made up or a credit will be issued to you.

- There are many national holidays on Mondays. In order to provide consistency to those students with Monday lessons, we will have lessons on these national holidays: **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Veteran's Day, President's Day, and Memorial Day.** If your family is out of town you will be offered a make-up lesson or a credit for that lesson.
- Contact the teacher directly if your child will not be able to attend his/her lesson.
 - Illness: 24 hour notice
 - Extracurricular Activities/Family Vacations: 1 week notice
- Please give your child's teacher two weeks' notice if you will be discontinuing private instruction.
- In case of inclement weather, please call the church office at (770)-427-0293 or refer to the website (www.fpcmarietta.org) for church closure information. Lessons will be made up if the church closes.

Recital and Performance Opportunities

- Recitals will be scheduled each term and it will be mandatory for instructors to prepare their students to perform. This gives a definitive start and end to the semesters and allows teachers to set goals and measure the improvement of each student.
- There will be opportunities for students to perform in worship services at FPC throughout the year.
- There will be several performances scheduled at local retirement homes throughout the year that will be open to all students.

Schedule & Tuition

Fall Term: (Dates)

Christmas Break: Dec. 19 – Jan. 2

Winter Term: (Dates)

Spring Break: (Dates)

Spring Term: (Dates)

Summer Lessons/Chamber Music (Dates)

Enrollment Procedures

- 1) Contact Will Myers at (770) 427-0293 x254 or WillMyers@Fpcmarietta.org to be referred to an instructor.
- 2) Set up a weekly time and start date with the instructor.
- 3) Complete Registration Form, pay Registration Fee and tuition for first month.