

GRACE COMMUNITY SCHOOL
Piano Lessons
2011-2012

Piano lessons for students in grades 1-9 will be offered through Grace Community this year. Piano lessons are 30 minutes in duration, one day each week. The students are taken from class only during a time the classroom teacher sees appropriate. Each student must have daily access to a piano to practice the assignments given.

The students are expected to practice according to their teacher's instructions. Parental involvement for the younger students is greatly encouraged. **Each student is responsible to bring all books to every lesson.** The teachers do not necessarily have a copy of the students' books, thereby making it nearly impossible to have a profitable lesson without the books. Parents are expected to assist their child in learning the responsibility of bringing their books on the day of the lesson.

COST: The cost of each lesson is \$22. Payment for a full month of lessons is due on the first of each month. Please submit checks or cash to the GCS office, not the teacher. All checks for the lessons will be made payable to Grace Community School. Holidays and non-school days will not be charged for.

PIANO BOOKS: Piano books are paid for by the student's family. If the lesson books were purchased by the teacher, reimbursement for these books should be made to the teacher, not the school.

MISSED LESSONS: If a student misses a lesson due to illness or personal vacation, *the lessons must still be paid for* since this agreement secures the teacher's time which is set aside for your child alone and cannot be used by anyone else. Makeup lessons are sometimes an option, but not guaranteed due to tight teacher schedules. If the teacher has to miss a lesson due to illness or personal vacation, the student will not be charged for that missed lesson.

The ability to play the piano is a skill which will provide a lifetime of enjoyment. Additionally, students who play the piano often develop musical knowledge and insight that prepares them to play other instruments as they grow older. Consider giving your child the opportunity to learn to play the piano as a means of self-discipline and as a venue to praise our Lord Jesus Christ. We are encouraged in Scripture to praise God through music, both in singing and in playing of instruments. (See Psalm 150)

To sign up your student for lessons in accordance with the above requirements, please read and sign the form below and return it to the school office before August 30. Space is limited, so students will be assigned a teacher on a first come, first served basis. Requests from new students for a particular teacher will be taken into consideration but are not necessarily guaranteed

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PIANO LESSONS AGREEMENT (Please return this portion to the GCS office)

Student Name: _____ Grade _____ Previous lessons? Yes No
Parents Names: _____
Parent E-mail address: _____
Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

This agreement secures the teacher's time, which is dedicated to your student. Exceptions cannot be made for student absences; however, you will not be charged should the teacher find it necessary to cancel a lesson. **By enrolling your child in piano lessons you agree to work with him/her to fulfill the assignments given by the teacher at each lesson. Failure to practice regularly will be discussed with the parents; the teachers desire the students to have the greatest benefit from these lessons and for the parents to get their money's worth.**

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____