

The novel Coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local governments, along with federal and state health agencies recommend social distancing and have, in some locations, prohibited gatherings of large groups of people.

The Musical Express has put in place the preventative measures listed below to reduce the likelihood of the spread of COVID-19 during in-person lessons at our studio. Although we will try to keep the schedule moving along in a timely manner, please keep in mind that following our new COVID-19 Prevention Routine will affect lesson timeslots by 5-10 minutes. We ask for your patience as we strive to ensure the safety of our students and teachers.

- 1- Text when you arrive at the studio. Please wait in the parking lot/car until your teacher notifies you when it is clear for the student to enter the building for his/her lesson. Do NOT send your student to the door to wait, as we do not want there to be congregating around the entrance.
- 2- Parents and/or guardians need to prepare to wait on students outside of the building. The Musical Express waiting rooms are no longer opened for public use.
- 3- Students and teachers will always wear masks inside the building. Before entering the building, masks should be on the face and properly placed. In cases of emergencies or if the student forgets his or her mask, we will provide a disposable mask.
- 4- Students and teachers will have temperature checks upon entering the building. Teachers will have periodic temperature checks throughout the day. If temperature is 99.9 or higher, the student or teacher will not be allowed to attend or conduct the piano lesson.
- 5- Sanitation stations will be available at the entrance of the building and in each music room. Students will be required to wash and/or sanitize their hands before lessons begin.
- 6- Our pianos will be cleaned and sanitized after each lesson. In addition to other frequently touched surfaces and items around the studio.
- 7- Each music room is equipped with both a medical grade H13 true HEPA filtered air purifier and UV / negative ionizer.
- 8- We no longer have public restrooms. Please note that our restrooms are now only available for use to our students and teachers. NO EXCEPTIONS! These are cleaned and wiped down after each use.

Unfortunately, even with strict social distancing and cleaning protocol, as with any other public place, The Musical Express cannot guarantee that your child(ren) will not be infected with COVID-19 while attending inperson piano lessons and/or performance events with us.

By signing this release form, you agree to waive any claims of liability against The Musical Express and to hold The Musical Express harmless if your child contracts COVID-19 despite our great efforts to prevent it. Additionally, you agree to notify The Musical Express if your child or any member of your household

contracts COVID-19 or comes into contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19. <u>This information will remain confidential</u> and will help ensure the utmost safety of all our students and teachers.

## Before attending in-person piano lessons, a studio family must answer the following questions weekly:

- 1- Has your student or anyone in your immediate family been diagnosed with COVID-19 within the past 14 (fourteen) days?
- 2- Has your student or anyone in your immediate family had contact with a person that has or is suspected to have COVID-19 within the past 14 (fourteen) days?
- 3- Has your student exhibited any symptoms of COVID-19 (temperature greater than 100 degrees Fahrenheit, cough, shortness of breath, chills, cold sweats, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, vomiting, diarrhea, body aches, or new loss of taste or smell) within the past 14 (fourteen) days?

If the student replies "YES" to any of the questions above, the student should not attend in-person lessons and plan to attend on-line instead.

## If your student tests positive for COVID-19, the following protocol will apply:

- 1- He or she must quarantine for 10 (ten) days starting from the day of test results. The student CANNOT attend in-person lessons during this time but will have the option to transfer to on-line lessons until he or she is able to return to the studio.
- 2- If student has an immediate family member that tests positive for COVID-19, he or she must quarantine for 14 (fourteen) days starting from the day of test results. During this time period, the student will have the option to transfer to on-line lessons until he or she is able to return to the studio.
- 3- All monthly tuition charges will apply to continue to hold your student's timeslot on the roster. If on-line lessons are not a viable option during any quarantined timeframe, your teacher maybe able to work out additional on-line classes once you return to piano lessons.
- 4- If your teacher (or a member in your teacher's household) tests positive for COVID-19, the same guidelines and protocol above will apply. Your teacher may opt to conduct lessons on-line during the required quarantine timeframe and you will be notified if that is the case.
- 5- The success of these policies is based on an HONOR SYSTEM. We must all act responsibly and continue to work together to help stop the spread of COVID-19.

Student's Name(s):	
Parent's Printed Name:	
Parent's Signature:	 
Date:	