

# *Songinflight Studio - Student Agreement 2020-2021*

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **Mission:**

Songinflight Studio provides high quality, one-on-one virtual music instruction in piano, voice, guitar, songwriting, and overall musicianship to students of all ages. Weekly lessons build students' confidence, creativity, and self-expression, while increasing their understanding and enjoyment of classical, pop, folk, Broadway, and other forms of music.

## **Schedule, Lessons, and Practicing:**

I, the undersigned student (and/or parent of student) commit to weekly lessons for School Year 2020-2021, starting right after Labor Day and continuing through late May, excluding the following holidays: one week at Thanksgiving, 2 weeks over DPS winter break, MLK Weekend, Presidents' Weekend (Sat-Mon), and one week at DPS spring break. There is a "Summer Six-pack" of lessons commitment in order to continue your lessons for the following school year.

I agree to this schedule.

A multi-year commitment is ideal for student growth over time. Parents are invited to sit in on the first virtual lesson. Students are encouraged to practice 5 days/week to build skills and technique, increase their enjoyment of music, master repertoire at their level, and exercise creativity. It's not about how long you practice, it's about how you focus on and enjoy the music you're learning!

## **Tuition:**

You will receive a monthly e-mail newsletter detailing tuition due, vacation reminders, recital news, and fun links. Please send your tuition payment prior to the first lesson of each month, via venmo, paypal, or cash delivery, at a rate of \$60 per 45-minute lesson. For example, on a typical month, if your lessons are on Mondays and there are 4 Mondays in that month, you would send payment for \$240. A one-time annual studio administration fee of \$50 will be included in your September tuition; a late fee of \$20 will be applied to late payments. Some students opt to pay by the semester, at the first lesson of September and the first lesson of February – instructions for how to do so will be included in your September and February newsletters.

## **Reschedule / Cancellation Policy:**

Lessons will not be scheduled during the week of Thanksgiving, the 2 weeks of DPS Winter break, the Saturday through Monday of MLK and Presidents' Weekend, or DPS Spring break week. In addition to these built-in breaks, students may miss one lesson per school year at no charge due to illness or vacation, with at least 24-hours notice to Ms. Dawe (pre-payment of this lesson will be credited towards your next month's lesson). Occasionally, it is possible to coordinate a week or more in advance to trade lesson times with another student or schedule a make-up lesson. Any additional missed lessons, and/or lessons cancelled less than 24-hours in advance, will be forfeited. Please give at least one month's notice if you decide to terminate lessons. To cancel or reschedule, please contact Ms. Dawe at 303-596-4622 or [songinflight@yahoo.com](mailto:songinflight@yahoo.com).

**Recitals:**

All students are invited to participate in Songinflight Studio Recitals! Previous recitals have taken place at beautiful venues such as Wash Park Center for Music and Arts, and Dazzle Jazz Club. We are currently keeping our community going by creating a virtual recital blog a twice a year, where students can post their latest performances and receive supportive comments from other students and parents. It has been fun to see students stepping up their game to practice more for these virtual performances; being in control of the video product motivates them to adapt their performances based on initial feedback. Creativity is encouraged; original compositions will be featured alongside traditional classical works, pop/rock songs, jazz, Broadway, folk, and other genres. This format makes their performances easily sharable with family and friends near and far.

**Supplies:**

Please be prepared for each lesson with a 3-ring binder dedicated to your musical learnings, with blank or lined paper for recording lesson notes and practice plans; technique and repertoire books as assigned; and fresh energy, ideas, and questions! It helps if you are ready to show me what you've worked on, what you're excited about, where you're having trouble, and what your goals are for moving ahead. Have your device (phone, ipad, or laptop) fully charged and set up so I can see you and (if applicable) the piano keys. Some students have found wearing bluetooth headphones helpful so they can better hear me and tune out the background noise in their home environments. It may also help to coordinate with family members to ensure that you have the best possible wifi signal so we can maintain a strong audio/visual connection during our 45-minute lessons.

**Media Permission:**

I give permission for myself and/or my child to be included in photos, video, and/or audio recordings to share the news about Songinflight Studio.

**Feedback / Contact:** Questions and thoughts are welcome at any time \* 720-445-5542 \* [lessons@songinflight.com](mailto:lessons@songinflight.com)

**Signature:** I agree to these terms and look forward to the programs checked above!

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*(student and/or parent please sign here)*