

# Grant's Piano Lessons – Home Studio Policies

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## 1. Home Rules

- Students and Parents may **NOT** come to the home when their lessons are not scheduled.
  - Permitted areas during lessons:
    - Front room (studio)
    - Hallway to the bathroom
    - Studio bathroom (main-level bathroom)
  - No wandering elsewhere in the home.
  - Parents/Guardians/Siblings are allowed inside the studio per the attendance policy.
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## 2. Studio Rules & Etiquette

- No food or drink near the piano (water bottles with lids allowed on nearby bench).
- Wash your hands before playing and/or use hand sanitizer.
- Remove shoes during wet weather; a shoe bin is provided.
- No pets allowed (allergies).
- Parking: street in front of the house; use the driveway if full.

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### **3. Siblings**

- Must remain quietly occupied (homework, reading, drawing, silent electronics).
- Waiting area: two reclining chairs and a table provided.

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### **4. Parent Attendance**

- A parent or guardian is required to stay for the full duration of each lesson. Students cannot be dropped off, and parents must remain until the lesson concludes.

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### **5. Arrival & Pickup**

- Families should arrive no earlier than five minutes before the scheduled lesson time to allow lessons to run smoothly and respect the previous student's time.
- Parents or guardians are expected to remain present for the entire lesson and depart promptly at the conclusion of the lesson, no later than five minutes after the lesson ends.
- If you are running late, please call or text immediately.

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## 6. Bathroom Policy

### **Access:**

- Only the studio bathroom allowed; all others off-limits.

### **Timing:**

- Encourage bathroom use before lessons.
- Lessons are not extended for breaks.

### **Cleanliness & Respect:**

- Flush and wash hands.
- Dispose of paper products properly.
- Leave the bathroom clean.

### **Young Children:**

- Parent/guardian must assist if needed.

### **Safety & Boundaries:**

- No opening cabinets, drawers, or personal storage.
  - Misuse may lead to warnings or dismissal.
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## **7. Behavior Policy (“Classroom Standards Apply”)**

### **Respectful Conduct:**

- Follow teacher instructions.
- Speak and act respectfully.
- Use an indoor voice.
- Stay focused.
- Handle instruments and equipment responsibly.

### **No Disruptive Behavior:**

- No running, climbing, or roughhousing.
- No shouting, arguing, talking back, or refusal to participate.
- No throwing objects or unsafe behavior.
- No distractions (phones, toys, etc.) during lessons.

### **Respect for Property & Boundaries:**

- No entry into off-limits areas.
- No handling teacher’s personal items or studio property without permission.

### **Parents & Siblings:**

- Must follow all behavior expectations.
- Siblings must remain quiet or wait outside/in the car.

### **Consequences:**

1. First occurrence: verbal warning
  2. Second occurrence: parent notified
  3. Repeated occurrences: removal from lesson or dismissal
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## **8. Property & Instrument Handling**

- Treat all studio property, instruments, and materials with care.

### **Prohibited Actions:**

- Handling instruments/furniture without permission
- Adjusting benches, sheet music, or equipment
- Writing, drawing, or marking on studio property

### **Consequences:**

- Verbal warning
- Parent notification
- Suspension or termination

### **Damages:**

- Parents/guardians financially responsible for damage caused by themselves or their child.
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## 9. Safety & Supervision

- Lessons in a private home; the teacher supervises **only during the scheduled time**.
  - Students left early or late without supervision are parent/guardian responsibility.
  - Emergencies: teacher may call 911 or act at his discretion.
  - Teacher not financially responsible for medical or ambulance expenses.
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## 10. Attendance & Make-up Policy

- Students must maintain good attendance: they **cannot miss more than half of the lessons per month**.
  - Maximum **2 make-up lessons per semester** (early August – late December).
  - Make-ups are scheduled at the teacher's discretion.
  - In the case of inclement weather, Zoom lessons are available and are to be scheduled by the teacher; the link is sent 10–15 minutes before the lesson.
  - Late to lesson: remaining time from original start; no make-up for lost time.
  - No-shows: 15-minute wait; not eligible for make-up.
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## 11. Cancellation & Payment Policy

- Notify immediately if the lesson must be rescheduled.
- Make-up lessons require agreement within one week.
- Tuition is **non-refundable**.

**Teacher Cancellations:**

- If no make-up aligns, the lesson fee will be deducted from next month.
- If the teacher is late, he may adjust the lesson time or rate.

#### **Student Cancellations / Inclement Weather:**

- Snow or bad weather: lessons may occur via Zoom if possible.
- If Zoom is not possible, make-up is available at \$5 extra; otherwise, it counts as a student cancellation.

#### **Late to Lesson:**

- Remaining time given; no additional make-up.

#### **No-Shows:**

- 15-minute wait, then the lesson may be canceled.
- Not eligible for rescheduling.

#### **Holiday & Summer Breaks:**

- Tuition includes school holidays: Thanksgiving (Tue–Sun), Winter Break (2 weeks), Spring Break (1 floating week).
- Summer break: Following the June recital through the 2nd Monday in August.
- Minimum requirement of 2 lessons/month if you wish to hold your roster spot during the summer.

#### **Avalanche Home Games:**

- 41 home games; students get priority for rescheduling lessons on game days.

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## **12. Video & Recording Policy**

- The teacher does not normally record; written parent permission will be obtained.
  - Student recordings require teacher approval; personal use only.
  - Teacher materials remain the teacher's property; unauthorized sharing may result in termination/legal action.
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## 13. Termination / Withdrawal Policy

- Voluntary withdrawal: notify the teacher before the 8th day of the month for remaining lessons.
  - Tuition is **non-refundable** if not withdrawn in accordance with the withdrawal policy.
  - The teacher may terminate lessons for repeated policy violations, unsafe behavior, or habitual late payments/pickups.
  - Parents/guardians remain responsible for fees incurred before termination.
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## 14. Liability Release

- Lessons in private residence; parents/guardians release Grant's Piano Lessons & homeowners from liability.
  - Parents/guardians and/or the child are financially responsible for damage caused.
  - Parents are allowed in the studio per the attendance policy.
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## 15. Agreement & Acknowledgment



By signing below, I acknowledge that:

- I have read and understand **all studio policies**.
- I will ensure my child follows all rules.
- I understand noncompliance may result in disciplinary action or dismissal.
- I consent to the teacher's discretion in emergencies.

**Student Name (Print):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Name (Print):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Teacher Name (Print):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Teacher Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

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