



Studio and Lessons Policies

Welcome to the Triad Suzuki Academy! Our mission is to provide a nurturing environment for students to learn violin through the Suzuki method, fostering both musical ability and personal growth. This handbook outlines our studio and lesson policies to ensure a positive and productive experience for all members of our community.

Cancellation Policy

- Lessons cancelled by the student with less than 24 hours' notice will not be eligible for a make-up lesson or refund.
- If the instructor cancels a lesson, a make-up lesson will be scheduled at a mutually convenient time.
- To avoid cancelling lessons, times may be swapped for single events among studio families.

Lesson Make-Up Policy

- Make-up lessons are offered for lessons missed due to illness or family emergencies, provided that 24 hours' notice is given.
- A maximum of two make-up lessons will be allowed per semester.

Practice Policies

- Daily practice is essential for progress. Students are expected to practice a minimum of five days per week.
- Practice assignments will be given at the end of each lesson, and parents are encouraged to be involved in the practice sessions for younger students.

Studio Behavior Expectations

- Students and parents are expected to treat each other, the instructor, and the studio space with respect and kindness.
- Food, drinks (except water), and gum are not allowed in the studio.



Phone Usage

- Cell phones should be silenced or turned off during lessons and group classes to minimize distractions.
- Phones may be used for recording videos needed for practice.
- Phones are not permitted for note taking and your notebook should be present with you at all lessons.

Materials Needed

- Students are required to have their instrument, bow, rosin, music books, and a notebook for each lesson.
- Additional materials may be recommended by the instructor as needed.

Group Class Policies

- Group classes are an integral part of the Suzuki method. Attendance is highly encouraged as they provide essential ensemble experience and peer learning opportunities.
- Students must be enrolled in a private lesson in order to participate in group class.
- Students are expected to arrive on time and prepared for each group class.

Beginner Parent Resources

- Parents of beginners are required to attend an introductory Suzuki method workshop offered by the studio.
- A list of recommended readings and resources will be provided to support your understanding and implementation of the Suzuki philosophy at home.

Annual Studio Agreement

- Enrollment in the Triad Suzuki Academy requires the signing of an annual studio agreement, outlining the commitment to the policies and expectations of the studio.



Semester Schedule

- The studio operates on a semester basis, with fall and spring semesters aligning with the local school district calendar.
- Summer lessons and workshops are offered on a more flexible schedule.

Performance Etiquette and Dress Code

- Students are expected to perform in studio recitals, providing an opportunity to share their progress and celebrate achievements.
- Performance attire should be neat, respectful, and appropriate for a formal event. Specific guidelines will be provided prior to each performance.

By adhering to these policies, we can all contribute to a positive, productive, and musical environment at the Triad Suzuki Academy. We look forward to a fantastic year of music-making and growth!