

Christy Foster
Private Clarinet & Saxophone Lesson Policies
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<https://christy03.wixsite.com/christy/lessons>

Objectives: I will teach my students the fundamentals and skills required for playing his/her instrument. It is my goal to encourage them to increase in their musical knowledge and playing abilities. In order to see improvements, I expect my students to practice daily. I will give them an assignment at each lesson for them to prepare for the next lesson. On occasion, I may hand out a practice chart for them to record practice times. As they keep track of this time, they will be able to see some progress and benefits of daily practice!

Lesson Fee:

Lesson Duration	Lesson Cost	1 Per Month	2 Per Month	3 Per Month	4 Per Month	5 Per Month
30 Min	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$75.00	\$100.00	\$125.00
60 Min	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	\$150.00	\$200.00	\$250.00

Payment must be made on the first lesson of each month for the number of lessons your child plans to take within that month. If a lesson will be missed, you will not have to pay for that lesson if proper notification is given.

When lessons are paid for at the beginning of the month, that appointment is reserved for you each week of that month. The monthly lesson fee will be determined by the amount of time spent in each lesson, by the number of lessons you plan to take that month, and the location of the lessons. Lessons at my house, or my ORU teaching studio, cost \$25.00 for thirty-minutes and \$50.00 for one-hour lessons. If I come to your child's school, a travel fee may be added in, so please ask if this will apply to you. If you are interested in group/ensemble lessons or master classes, ask me for details about rates.

Lessons may be paid in cash, by check, or Venmo. Please write checks to **Christy Foster** and put the student's name and lesson dates you are paying for in the memo line of your check. My Venmo is @saxnclarinetlady. Thank-you!

Late Payment & Travel Fee: A \$5.00 **Late Fee** will be added to your monthly lesson fee if not paid by the second lesson you have reserved with me that month. If your lesson fee is not paid by the second lesson, I will no longer teach lessons to the student until the bill has been caught up. Please talk to me before your monthly lesson fee is due, if you need to make other payment arrangements for a particular month. I will try to work with you and your payday schedules if you're not able to pay on the first week of each month. A **Travel Fee** may be added if I have to drive to your school to teach lessons rather than you driving to my house or

ORU studio. (I do not teach lessons at student's individual homes-this is primarily stated for the occasions I have taught lessons in the public schools). Please ask when signing up for lessons if this will apply to you.

Absences and Cancellations: Proper notification for an absence or tardiness requires 24-hours advance notice in order to receive a make-up lesson at no additional charge for private lessons. Please **TEXT ME** if you are going to be late, or have to miss a lesson. Make-up lessons are only allowed if proper notification was given, or you are willing to pay for an additional lesson to compensate me for the day I was not given the 24-hour advance notice.

- You **will be charged** for a missed lesson if you do not let me know 24-hours in advance that you will not be able to make your scheduled lesson time. If you know you are going to be absent or late, please talk to me over the phone to make sure I get the message. I will try to work around our schedules to fit in a lesson time to replace the one you have to miss, so you won't be charged extra during the month for a previously scheduled lesson and a make-up lesson time. If you know you are going to be **late**, ask for a make-up lesson time for that week. Otherwise, I will have to charge you the full amount for your lesson that day. I usually have students scheduled before and after your lesson time and must adhere to a strict schedule, so please do not be late if at all possible.-If you think you will be late, please call me so I won't think you forgot your lesson that day. If you want to contact me via email to cancel or reschedule a lesson, you may, but if you have not received a reply email from me, that probably means I did not get your message, and so that will not be proper notification. You might have emailed me 24 hours in advance, but if I haven't been able to check email before that, I will still charge you for that lesson. To avoid that scenario, please call me the day before your lesson to cancel lesson appointments. You may want to save your emails from me if I send my approval for an email cancellation in case I should forget that I approved it via email. You can show me a copy of that email and I won't charge you. If you do not want a lesson to replace the one you have to miss, or our schedules will not allow us to schedule a make-up lesson, the money you paid at the first of the month can be deducted from the next month's lesson fee, with my approval. This is only applicable if I was told about your absence the day before your scheduled lesson time.
- If you are **sick** on your lesson day and have to cancel that day, please call me before 9:15am and leave a message. Otherwise, I can offer no make-up lesson for a lesson cancelled on the lesson day. If you feel sick the night before, call me to cancel. Then if you feel better in the morning, call me back to reschedule your lesson. You may be able to get your original time slot back. This way you avoid paying for a lesson you can't come to because you wake up sick, and I might be able to use your time slot for another student that day.
- If you decide to **quit lessons** before the end of the month and have already paid for lessons in that month, the only compensation I can offer to you is lessons at a later time in the year. You will have one academic school year to redeem the lessons you paid for. If you decide to quit lessons, and did not give me 24-hours advance notice, I will still charge you for the lesson(s) that you had originally planned on coming to the next month.
- Please let me know by your last paid lesson day, that it is your final day. I will need to use your time slot for new students.

Make-up lessons will only be allowed with consent from Christy Foster and upon reaching an agreed upon lesson time and place after all required lesson fees are paid.

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Christy Foster's Music Lesson Policy (Signature Page)

Please sign this page as our agreement to the music lesson policies mentioned in the Policy Agreement for Christy Foster's Private Clarinet & Saxophone Lessons. You will only need to return the bottom half of this page with your signature(s) by the first lesson day. I look forward to working with you (and your child) this year.

Parent's Signature

Student's Signature

Today's Date