

# Parameters for In-Person Lessons during COVID-19:

Please assist the teacher to promote a safe environment by strictly observing the lesson protocols below.

**For In-Person lessons please be sure to check you and your child's health before you come. If any of the following symptoms exist, you and your child should not be coming in person to a lesson:**

Fever	Difficulty breathing	Coughing	Diarrhea	Muscle aches
Sore throat	Headache	Congestion	Fatigue	

**DESCRIPTION:** To be able to teach with safe social distance and with minimal use of masks, a 'clear vinyl screen' will be in place between the teacher and the student. An **Open-Air** student placement will provide a high rate of air-exchange to complement that protective guard. The presence of a 'clear vinyl screen' allows a lengthening of the time considered 'safe' for in-person socialization by temporarily localizing aerosol saturation; but it does not *eliminate* aerosol presence risk entirely. Dispersing the aerosols at the time of exhalation by means of natural *outdoor* air-movement is the best way to keep you and your child safe.

**MOVING FORWARD:** As Late Fall cooling temperatures arrive, a completely 'indoor' arrangement may be possible that will include the same 'clear vinyl screen' separation between teacher and student combined with extensive 'air-exchange' in the student's space before and after the lesson. Observing the health-check listed above will be even more important. Fully indoor In-Person lessons may not be possible if local COVID-19 conditions deteriorate.

**CONDITIONS:** →Students opting for In-Person Lessons should consider mixing On-Line with *In-Person* formats depending on current weather and student health. →For the safety of everyone concerned, the Studio's *In-Person* lesson format will remain as "Open-Air" as possible for as long as possible. →Both On-line and In-Person lessons will be available on an *interchangeable* basis with advance notice by student choice for as long as the In-Person format is considered to be safe.

**For Voice Students:** please be prepared for an 'outdoor' singing experience. The teacher (with a digital keyboard) will be just inside the Studio foyer, with a clear vinyl screen in the open doorway. Front porch seating is provided and a partial privacy screen will be in place.

**For Piano Students:** please be prepared for an 'outdoor' piano experience on a digital piano (full-size keys and keyboard—with weighted, touch-sensitive keys and operational pedals). The teacher (with an additional digital keyboard) will be just inside the Studio foyer, with a clear vinyl screen in the open doorway. This "two-keyboard" teaching environment will allow the teacher to 'model' and 'demonstrate' for the student, but any 'hands-on' assistance must be provided by the assisting parent (with instruction from the teacher).

**All students:** please **come with your own scores and supplies** to eliminate the need for any exchange of paper, pencil or other items between teacher and student. The outside space is well-shaded at all times of the day and well-light at night, but is not 'rain-proof'. **If the weather is poor, please consider an On-Line lesson**, or reschedule.

**Bathroom availability will be limited to emergency only** and will require mask-wearing along with hand-sanitizer (available at the Studio). The available bathroom will be upstairs (our 'guest-room' bathroom) only.



**Open-Air Semi-Private teaching space.**



**For singing students.**



**For piano students.**