

Home Practice

A one-on-one relationship with a teacher, along with a commitment to regular practicing, helps a student become proficient on his/her instrument. Practicing is a learning enhancement of the teacher's instruction. Each student should have a quiet place in the home as well as a regularly scheduled time to practice each day.

Students are expected to exhibit Christian behavior on Covenant's campus as well as in lessons and classes.



Student Handbook 2011-2012

*Offering education in music and the arts
in a Christian environment by connecting students
to a world of creativity, communication,
and self-discipline.*

Semester Dates

Fall Semester

August 8 - December 9

Holidays

Fall Break: October 10-14

Holiday Break: November 21-25

Christmas Recitals

December 9th & 10th

Spring Semester

January 9 - May 4

Holidays

Spring Break: April 16-20

Young Musicians Party: TBA

Spring Recitals: May 4 & 5

Summer Study

June 4 - July 27

Recitals

THE STUDIO School of Fine arts will sponsor recitals and receptions during the Fall and Spring semesters. Participation is strongly encouraged.

Christmas Recitals: - December 9th and 10th

Spring Recitals: May 4th and 5th

Visit us on the web!

For information on The Studio and upcoming events, visit our website at www.covenantdothan.org/studio

or on Facebook at

THE STUDIO School of Fine Arts at Covenant

*For updated information and events,
become a fan of The Studio on Facebook!*

The Facebook logo, consisting of the word "facebook" in white lowercase letters on a blue rectangular background.

Private Lesson Tuition

All tuition is based on a weekly lesson rate. Payment may be made in full before the due date; on a monthly basis; or in installments. Please check with your instructor regarding their payment preferences.

Checks are to be made payable to your instructor.

Other Music Opportunities at Covenant

Begins August 24—After School

Children's Choirs

(1st-3rd grade and 4th & 5th grade)

Breakout Sessions

ORFF Percussion Class (1st-3rd grade)

Handchimes (4th &-5th grade)

Youth Music

4 pm: **PraiseRing** (Youth Handbells)

4:45 pm: **PraiseSing** (Youth Choir)

6th-12th grade

All activities are free!

Enrollment Fees

Enrollment forms are available online at www.covenantdothan.org/studio or through the music department office and the church office.

Enrollment fees are due at the time of enrollment. *Enrollment will be completed when fees are received.* Fees may be mailed to Covenant UMC, Attn: The Studio, 3610 W. Main Street, Dothan, AL 36305 or dropped by the church office. ***All outstanding balances must be paid before a student can be registered.***

This fee enrolls the student for private instruction during that semester or year, if paid in full. Additional family members receive a discounted enrollment fee. Checks should be made payable to **THE STUDIO** and must be paid at the beginning of the semester.

- \$45** Full Year Enrollment, if paid in full at time of Enrollment. *(Full Year includes Fall and Spring Semester)* **There is a \$15 enrollment fee for each additional family member not to exceed \$70 perfamily.**
- \$30** Fall Semester Enrollment (\$15 for each additional family member, not to exceed \$70 per family.)
- \$20** Spring Enrollment for returning students (\$10 for each additional family member)
- \$5** Each additional activity/instrument
- \$30** New Student fee (if entering Studio in Spring)
- \$10** New Student fee (if entering Studio in Summer)

Deadline for full year and fall enrollment fees to be paid is: **October 1, 2011.**

A **\$15 late fee** will be incurred if enrollment fees are not received by this date.

Policies

Scheduling

Private lessons are scheduled in 16-week semesters for Fall and Spring and an 8-week semester for Summer.

Private lessons are scheduled in 30 minute, 45 minute, or 1 hour slots, once per week, on a mutually agreeable day and time.

Private lessons will continue with the same instructor and time slot for the full semester. New time slots may be negotiated at the beginning of each new semester.

Students returning from Summer semester have first priority for Fall semester scheduling. Students returning from Fall semester have first priority for Spring semester scheduling.

Private Lessons Offered

Harp	Violin	Flute
Guitar	Piano	Saxophone
Drum Set		Cello
	Electric Bass/Double Bass	

No student will be enrolled for lessons until all outstanding balances are paid.

Private Lessons

- ◆ The student should bring all materials as assigned by the teacher to each lesson.
- ◆ Lessons must begin and end on time. If a student arrives late, the lesson time will not be extended. The subsequent student's lesson will begin on time.
- ◆ When group lessons are scheduled by the private teacher, that lesson will count as the student's private lesson for that week.
- ◆ Parents are welcome in private lessons; however, small children are not allowed to visit in the lesson, and must not be left unattended.
- ◆ Regular lessons are not scheduled during breaks. The teacher may use these days for make-up lessons, if desired.

Missed Lessons

- ◆ The student is expected to attend each lesson. If an absence is necessary, the student must notify their teacher 24 hours before the missed lesson.
- ◆ Acceptable reasons for absence include:
 - ◇ Illness, family emergency, planned trips
- ◆ Unacceptable reasons for absence include:
 - ◇ Visiting friends, extra-curricular activities (ball practice/games, dance lessons, etc.)
- ◆ Make-up lessons may be offered at the teacher's convenience provided the absence is acceptable.
- ◆ If the required notification is not given, no make-up lesson will be scheduled.
- ◆ If a student simply does not show up for a lesson, no make-up lesson will be scheduled.
- ◆ Should a teacher need to cancel a lesson, the student will be notified and a make-up lesson will be scheduled.
- ◆ In the event of **inclement weather**, please contact your instructor to see if the lesson will be given.