Dear HNA Parent or Student,

Thank you for your interest in the private music lesson program at Holy Names Academy. This sheet should provide all the information you will need to register for private music lessons this semester.

Lesson Times
During a typical school day, lesson times are before school (starting at 7:05 a.m.), during lunch, or after school (occurring between 2:30 and 4 p.m.). The times are determined by the availability of the teacher. If IF SCHOOL BUILDING IS CLOSED: In fall 2020, if online learning from home continues at HNA, the student will pick a preferred time for herself and her instructor to meet virtually on Microsoft Teams for the lesson.

Instruction Available
At this time, private or group* lessons are offered only in the following instruments:

- Violin/Viola (classical and eclectic styles)
- Cello
- Harp
- Flute
- Sax/Clarinet
- Trumpet
- Guitar (classical and rock)
- Ukulele
- Bass (acoustic and electric)
- Drum Set
- Piano (classical)
- **Pipe Organ (NEW!)
- Voice (classical and musical theater)
- Rock Band (for example, bass, guitar, drums, etc.—group only)
- Composition/Music Theory

If the instrument your daughter wants to pursue is not listed, please contact Ms. Taryn Webber at twebber@holynames-sea.org.

(*Group lessons/Rock Band are only arranged after an agreement has been reached between the instructor and all students involved.)

Registration for Private Music Lessons: Here is the process to get your daughter signed up:

1. Fill out the lesson agreement form found on the HNA website or available from Ms. Webber.

2. Return the form to the Business Office with a check for **$600 (for individual lessons)** or **$500 (for group lessons/rock band)**, payable to Holy Names Academy. The group lessons/rock band MUST be pre-arranged with the instructor or Music Director. This payment covers 14
lessons over the course of the 18-week semester.

3. Have your daughter go to the Academic Office if she would like to receive a one-half academic credit per semester. **If your daughter already has private music lessons on her academic schedule for the 2020-2021 school year, you can skip this step.**

4. Contact the Music Director (Taryn Webber) to set up a lesson time. Typically, this is done the first week of school once the students have submitted the contract and payment to the Business Office. All lessons will be scheduled for a time between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m. on the HNA campus ONLY.

**Fees, Financial Responsibility, Attendance**
The fee for each semester is $600 for individual lessons and $500 for group lessons, due in full at the start of each semester (**August 15 and January 15**). The fee covers 14 lessons in the 18-week semester. **There are no refunds;** however, if a student withdraws prior to taking the fifth lesson in a semester, the balance of the music fee can be applied to a subsequent Academy tuition payment.

It is crucial that the student attend all 14 lessons. If she is unable to keep a scheduled lesson, it is the student’s responsibility to notify the instructor **at least 24 hours in advance to reschedule.** If a student is sick and absent from school, she must contact the instructor the first day that she is back at school to reschedule the lesson.

**Recitals**
Each semester culminates in a student recital held in the Music Center. The dates for the 20-21 academic year are not finalized yet, but here are the 19-20 dates for your reference:

- **Winter Recital**—December 5, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
- **Spring Recital/Fine Arts Showcase**—May 1, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Participation in these recitals is **only mandatory** for music scholarship recipients (see below), but HIGHLY encouraged by the faculty at Holy Names Academy. Please encourage your daughter to participate!

**Private Music Lesson Scholarship Auditions**
In the past we have held lessons for scholarship money for private music lessons in the spring prior to the fall semester. Due to the COVID-19 closure, we will hold either in-person or video auditions for scholarships in August (date and nature of the auditions TBA). Please let Ms. Webber know if your daughter is interested in auditioning, and she will be added to an e-mailing to be sent in July. All students wishing to audition for a scholarship should prepare a short piece, no more than 5 minutes in length, to perform for the music faculty. If the student is a beginner on the instrument she intends to study, she does **NOT need to audition with that instrument.** These auditions are open to all music students who will be taking private lessons.

- **Participation in the recital is mandatory** for all scholarship recipients.
- In order to receive a scholarship, a student **must be enrolled in a music ensemble at HNA** (choir, orchestra, jazz band, etc.)

*Please note that scholarship funds received may be applied toward one semester of lessons ONLY.*

**All program-based scholarships will be given only to students who commit to play the intended instrument in an appropriate ensemble (for example, the student will be expected to play violin in orchestra or drums in rock band).**

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Taryn Webber at (206) 720-7829 or twebber@holynames-sea.org.

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