

Private Lesson Contract

Lindsey Crouch Music

I. Purpose of the Lessons

Private lessons exist as a means for all students to enhance their musical skills by working with a professional musician who specializes in individual discipline. The skills necessary to excel as a musician can only be attained with considerable work beyond the student's daily band class. Private lessons guide the student along this path. Lessons will be offered to students who play flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, and trombone. Flute lessons are available to students of all levels. Clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, and trombone lessons are available to middle school students.

II. Cost per Lesson

<u>Flute Lessons:</u>	30 minutes - \$25	60 minutes - \$50	<i>(flute players of all levels)</i>
<u>Other Lessons:</u>	30 minutes - \$25		<i>(middle school clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone)</i>

III. Payment Responsibility

All private lessons are the responsibility of the student and must be paid **monthly in advance** (*Exception: Due to financial need, you and your instructor can agree upon a payment schedule that meets your needs, so long as every party is in agreement*). **Payments are made directly to the private lesson teacher.** Private lesson teachers are responsible for tracking lesson payments and will issue a receipt for payments made by the student. Non-payment, returned checks, or repeated late payments are grounds for dismissal from the private lessons.

IV. Attendance Policy

Students must give at least 36 hours' notice for all cancelled lessons to receive credit for future make-up lessons. (*Exception: if a student is absent from school that day due to illness. Please make sure to send some form of communication to your instructor as soon as possible*). Failure to do communicate in a timely manner will result in a defaulted lesson. Students will be charged the regular lesson rate for each defaulted lesson. Instructors will not be required to make up any defaulted lesson. In the event of an emergency, the lessons may be cleared of default status if a reasonable attempt to notify could not have been made. In such cases, notification must be made at the earliest possible time. The lessons teacher will have the final word on all such determinations. If a student is late for a lesson, the teacher is under no obligation to extend the lesson beyond the normal ending time or to make up the lost time. If a teacher is late for a lesson, the teacher must either extend the ending time or make up the lost time at a later date. If a student is unable to contact the teacher to report a cancellation, the student may notify their band director, if and only if he/she has attempted unsuccessfully to reach the teacher. The same policy/procedures will be in place for teacher cancellations with one exception. If the teacher gives 36 hours' notice, the cancellations may be reported to the director to be relayed to the student.

V. Private Lesson Teacher and Lake County Schools

The private lesson teacher acts as a private contractor. They are well-trained professionals and will adhere to all Lake County Schools regulations and guidelines. The private lesson teachers have undergone and cleared an extensive criminal history background check.

VI. Private Lesson Teacher Contact Information

TEACHER NAME: Lindsey Crouch
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Additional Information for Private Lesson Students

Lessons

- ♪ Lessons are 30/60 minutes each and are taught once a week during student's band period, lunch time, or after school. No lessons will be taught during an academic class. Students will average 4 lessons per month, unless additional lessons are requested (i.e. right before an audition or Solo and Ensemble).
- ♪ Parents will be billed for lessons and full payment for the month is due at the **first lesson of each month**.
- ♪ Lessons will be given at the student's school (with permission from their band director), at the student's home, or at the instructor's home. *(Note: if lessons are given at the instructor's home, students should not be allergic to dogs or cats).*

Materials

- ♪ Instructional materials, (books, music, folders, etc.) may be added as an additional cost at any time. The teacher may also provide copies free of charge.
- ♪ Students are expected to have necessary materials at their lesson time. If not, this can result in a defaulted lesson.

Discontinuing Lessons

- ♪ A **two- week notice** is needed if a student plans to discontinue lessons.

Practicing

- ♪ Students are expected to practice regularly and prepare lessons in full, per assignments. They may also be asked to keep a practice time log/practice notebook. **Lack of practicing constitutes lack of progress.**

Performances

- ♪ Students are expected to participate in Solo and Ensemble.
- ♪ All-District and All-State auditions are also highly encouraged and may be required by their instructor or band director.

By signing below, I state that have read the private lesson contract and agree to adhere to its terms and conditions.

Student Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date

Band Director Signature (only needed if lessons will be given in the band room)

Band Director Phone Number