Dear HNA Parent or Student,

Thank you for your interest in participating 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**
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.

**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/bock band MUST be pre-arranged with the instructor or Music Director. This payment covers 14 lessons over the course of the 18-week semester.
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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 2018-2019 school year, then 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, she needs to contact 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 18-19 academic year are not finalized yet, but here are the 17-18 dates for your reference:

- Winter Recital—November 29, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
- Spring Recital/Fine Arts Showcase—May 3, 2019 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**
Fall Music Lesson Scholarship* auditions will be held in the orchestra room starting at 2:45 p.m. on Wednesday, May 29, 2019. Audition times will be on a first-come, first-served basis (except for incoming 9th graders). 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 you are a beginner, you do NOT need to audition with the instrument that you intend to study. 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 out 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).

**Questions**
There will be an optional informational meeting for students directly after school on Tuesday, September 3. This meeting will allow all the music students set up lesson times if necessary. However, feel free to set up the lessons prior to that meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Taryn Webber at (206) 720-7829 or twebber@holynames-sea.org.

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