

Michelle Xu: Studio Policy 2026-27

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Tuition

	30 min (per lesson)	45 min (per lesson)	60 min (per lesson)
Travel to you*	\$40	\$55	\$70
In my home	\$30	\$45	\$60

*Price may vary depending on distance

Lessons occur weekly at my home in North Plano, near 121 and Independence Parkway. Tuition includes 46 weekly lessons over the full year, and is billed monthly, due in full by the last day of the previous month. Travel to you may be offered at the discretion of my schedule, please let me know if you are interested in this option.

Payment is accepted through Zelle (832-270-6012). Please contact me if you are interested in alternative forms of payment. Refunds are not provided if a student is to withdraw from my studio prior to completing all lessons provided in the tuition payment.

Cancellation Policy & Makeup Lessons

Makeups and refunds will not be provided if a student misses a lesson for any reason. With your tuition, you are paying for both my instruction and time. As we know, time is an important resource we are unable to get back. If a student is unable to attend their lesson, the lesson tuition is forfeited to pay for my time.

If I am unable to attend a lesson, I will make sure to communicate this and to apply the fee for the missed lesson as a credit for the next lesson, or schedule a makeup lesson.

Please do not bring an ill/symptomatic student or family member to your lesson. If your student or anyone in their household shows any symptoms of illness, please keep them at home. I reserve the right to end any lesson early if a student or attending family member shows signs of illness without refund, credit, or makeup.

About the Suzuki Method

In my home studio, I follow the Suzuki Method, a music education philosophy championed by Dr. Shinichi Suzuki. This method draws from how a child learns their first language, through an environment that immerses them with the sounds and experiences of the language, as well as consistent structure and guidance from their parents and community.

Parents are essential to the Suzuki method, and serve as the "home teacher" to imitate the consistent environment of learning a child experiences when learning their first language. At least one parent or guardian is required to attend the first lesson, and for students middle school and under, one parent is required at all lessons, as lessons are not only for instruction directly to the student, but also to support and guide the parent in their role as the home teacher. Parents are highly encouraged to attend for all ages! In the Suzuki Method, we work as a team to create the best environment for your child's growth!

Please be in contact if a parent is unable to attend a lesson. Without proper communication, I reserve the right to forfeit the lesson with no refunds or makeups if a parent is unable to attend.

Lesson and Practice Responsibilities

Please arrive at least 5 minutes before the start of your lesson to unpack and tune. Students should be tuned and ready to play by their scheduled lesson time. Students are responsible for having all of their materials at the beginning of every lesson. Parents are also required to take their own notes to assist with their role as the home teacher. In addition, consistent practice is required for a student to make progress on their instrument. Progress cannot be guaranteed if a student is unable to meet the required practice and listening assigned in lessons.

Materials and Listening

If any books or materials are needed, I will communicate via email. Additionally, your student will be assigned daily listening. Consistent listening is essential to the Suzuki method, as one cannot speak, read, or write a language without developing an internal sense of how that language sounds. Listening assignments will be required to play in the background of the student's lives, such as during meal times, in the car, etc. and will be tracked at each lesson to ensure the student is developing this essential skill.

Agreement to Terms and Conditions

I encourage open communication. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns. I look forward to working with your family and making music with your child!

By signing below, you have indicated that you have read, understand and agree to the terms and conditions stated in the Michelle Xu Studio Policy.

Parent Signature

Date

Student Signature

Date