Klassical Kidz MUSIC STUDIO

Attitude. Effort. Consistency.











Musical Excellence.

Fall 2025 - Spring 2026 Handbook

Private Lessons, Ensembles, Chamber Music, Camps and more!

13a Medford Street #4 Arlington Center

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Chamber Players Program!

6th grade and up or by permission

Private Lesson: We recommend that all Chamber Player students receive at least 45 min of private instruction weekly.

\$40 per half hour weekly lesson, or \$50 per 45-minute weekly lesson, or \$60 an hour.

Tuition is paid in four equal payments or by the semester.

Chamber Players Program: Students who have reached an intermediate level and are 6th grade or older participate in our Chamber Players program. Chamber Player students take their commitment to musical learning very seriously, practicing consistently and prioritizing attendance of weekly lessons and chamber coachings over their other activities. In addition to complete mastery of their individual parts, these students work on playing expressively and on the many skills required to play together without the assistance of a conductor. Each semester they learn and perform 1-2 high level pieces in addition the piece the ensemble learns. Chamber Students who need to miss a coaching may attend one of the other weekly coachings to make it up. Or you can make up the coaching by watching the recording of class.

Additionally, Chamber students may attend ensemble rehearsals at any time for no additional cost.

No refunds for missed coachings.

Advancing Chamber - Monday 6:00 – 7:00PM Intermediate Chamber - Tuesday 6:00 – 6:45 PM

\$25 per 45-minute coaching session.

\$30 per 60-minute coaching session.

Tuition is paid in four equal payments or by the semester.

Chamber Music Institute, August 2026, 17th – 22nd, 9:00am-3:00. Ages 9 and up

Studying the works of the Masters, students will learn the timeless musical arts and traditions such as Chamber music, conducting, transcription, harmonic analysis, and aural dictation. Sound hard? Don't worry, students won't even realize how hard they are working as they attend classes at "Bernstein's School of Artistry and Virtuosity" and compete with their Chamber Troup to win the Troup Trophy! Young musicians will reach new levels of musical mastery through carefully crafted fun.

Elementary Ensemble Program!

1st -5th grade or by permission

Private Lessons: \$40 per half hour weekly lesson, or \$50 per 45-minute weekly lesson, or \$60 an hour. Tuition is paid in four equal payments or by the semester.

Ensemble Class: In tandem with private music lessons, all private lesson students ages 7 and up will also participate in one of our weekly ensembles. Ensemble is complementary for the third child in a family also enrolled in lessons! \$20 a class. Tuition is paid in four equal payments or by the semester.

Tuesday 5:15- 6:00

Wednesday 4:00- 4:45

If your child has to miss an ensemble class they are welcome to make it up by attending one of our other ensemble rehearsals in addition to their normal ensemble class. You may complete make up classes at any time in the semester.

Refunds will not be given for missed ensemble classes.

Little Players Program

Ages 4.5 - 7

Private Lessons: \$25 per 15 minutes or \$40 per half hour weekly lesson

Little Players Group Class: Thursday 5:45- 6:15 Ages 4-7 or as teacher determines readiness.

\$18 per 30-minute class.

Tuition is paid in four equal payments or by the semester.

Little Beats Class!

Pre-lesson Music Lesson for ages 18 months – 3.5

Mondays 4:00 – 4:30

-\$18 per 30-minute class, paid by 6-week term.

Do you have a toddler that is ready to start learning about music, but isn't ready for the level of expectation of private lessons and Little Players? Join Little Beats! Through games and movement, they'll learn all about the staff, how to keep a pulse as a team, and rhythms! We will explore simple elements of both violin, piano and harp exposing them to instruments in a fun way for a perfect start to their musical journey!

Policies and Program Information

We welcome our new and returning families to the 2025 - 2026; school year at Klassical Kidz Music Studio! We are confident your child will have a rewarding year of musical growth with us!

- We offer in person private lessons and groups. All are held at our studio with the option to join the lesson or class via zoom if feeling unwell.
- For students under eight years old, we usually ask that a parent attend all lessons with the child. Students nine and over are usually completing homework without a parent's assistance, and it becomes time for them to begin to learn to practice independently also. This is where the parent's role changes to being a "cheerleader" rather than a practice "coach". We will help you to determine if it is better for your child with or without you in the lesson.
- Siblings are welcome to also be present providing they can be engaged in a relatively quiet activity by your side or in the hall. Babies under 6 months need a baby carrier/seat so your hands and attention can be primarily on the lesson.
- For students under 8, Parents are to supervise practices 5 days a week or as specified by your teacher. Violin students 6 and under will have practice cards and calendars.
 If your child is in ensemble or chamber he will receive a "Task Chart" each week with specific practicing instructions.
- Parents are responsible for making sure that all sheet music is assembled in a thin 3ring binder as it is given out to the students. Please! Loose music is LOST music!
- In tandem with private music lessons, all students are required to participate in one of our ensembles unless they are participating in a Klassical Kidz Chamber Group instead. Students under the age of 7 participate in the Little Players Group Class.
- Piano Students need to own a portable keyboard and a keyboard stand. They will
 not need to bring it to the weekly classes but may need it for the combined
 rehearsals and concerts. You will receive an email when it is needed.

- Little Players, Ensemble and Chamber Are <u>Drop off Classes</u>, but please see that your child is safely into the building before leaving. However, parents may be asked to attend Little Players Group Class with their child if needed.
- Please drop your child off a few minutes early for ensemble/classes so we can start promptly.
- After each ensemble or class, a lesson will start promptly. Please be waiting on time to pick up your child.
- After ensemble, if you will be coming back for a lesson, you may leave your
 instrument and gear in the classroom against a wall. Students ages seven and older
 may wait in the hall without a parent between lessons and ensemble classes. If your
 child has a long wait or is coming straight from school, please send them with a
 nutritious snack.
- Students may take lessons on more than one instrument after they have taken a
 year on one instrument and demonstrated a good commitment to practicing and
 lessons.
- Students are allowed only 2 make up lessons per semester.

Klassical Kidz M.E.R.I.T.S. Awards

At Klassical Kidz we believe that the study of music will be a tremendously rewarding experience and that kids can be taught at a very young age to embrace the effort as the key to a successful and exciting musical learning adventure.

With this in mind we have created our M. E. R. I. T. S. program.

Musical Effort Resulting In Total Success!

Each student will earn 'Starpoints' in both lessons and in ensemble/chamber coachings for the following:

- Attitude
- -Practicing 5 days a week

- -Using Correct Technique and Posture
- -Being on time and ready to go at Lessons and Ensembles
- -Being Attentive and Respectful
- -Being a Supportive Ensemble / Group Member Completing Lesson Assignments

Each semester is concluded with a formal **Recital** at which students will receive awards based on their weekly average of starpoints.

M.E.R.I.T.S. Awards will fall into three levels:

Level One: The Virtuoso Award, Level Two: The Excellence Award, Level Three: The Progress Award

Attendance/Absentee Protocols

Attendance is very, very important, but if you are unable to keep your child's weekly lesson time, please notify us by email as soon as you know. Please give us at least 24 hours' notice! Each student is allowed **2 make up lessons per semester**.

We may also need to occasionally reschedule lessons due to illness or performance engagements. We prioritize make ups due to student or instructor illness.

Every effort will be taken to ensure lessons are consistent, and we thank you for your flexibility. Make up lessons are primarily taught by Ms. Adrienne via zoom. To schedule a make-up lesson please email her directly at: ajbassettharp@gmail.com

Possible Calendar Changes

Should there be any unforeseen changes to our calendar due to circumstances beyond our control, you will be **notified immediately by email**.

Please check your email for any notices frequently and watch for studio emails each week.

Fall 2025 or Spring 2026 Tuition

Payments for both lessons and ensemble is paid in 4 equal payments or for the full semester. Invoices for these 4 payments will go out on the 1st of the month.

A \$15 late fee will be charged when payments are received after the 15th of the month.

Recital Fee: We rent space for our dress rehearsals and recital programs from the Lexington Christian Academy, Arlington Masonic Temple and Town Hall depending on the semester. You will be billed a \$45 recital fee each semester, for each student enrolled in the program.

Concert Attire Requirements

At the end of each semester the students present a Recital and Showcase Concert and perform some of the music they have learned. At both performances, the kids wear inexpensive, but dressy concert attire, available from South Eastern Performance Apparel and Amazon. This adds an element of importance, festivity, and a sense of belonging to a group that students really respond to well. Please mark your calendars as soon as the dates are released (usually January/February and May/June) because you won't want to miss these special performance days!

Ordering Information: For the items below that have links you should order on your own. For the other items, please email us a list of what your child will need at the beginning of the semester and we will place the orders from SEPA for a good group discount! (You will be invoiced for your bill.)

<u>Little Player and Ensemble Attire Options:</u>

- Unisex Wing Collar Tuxedo Shirt
- Rosette OR Satin Bow Tie, Royal Blue
- Cummerbund, Royal Blue
- Dressy black skirt (knee-length or longer) OR Dressy black pants
- Black tights and Black dress shoes OR Black dress socks and Black Dress shoes
- Please no sandals or sneakers!!!

Chamber Player Attire:

Girls

- Youth Concerto Dress in Royal blue (<u>This link is only here for you to take correct</u> measurements to send to us)
 - Black Sweater/Shrug (link)
 - Black tights or Knee Highs
 - Black Dress Shoes (Please no sandals or sneakers!!!)

Boys

- Unisex Wing Collar Tuxedo Shirt
 - Black Vest
 - Satin Bow Tie, Royal Blue
 - Dressy black Pants
 - Black socks and shoes

If your child has out grown their outfit, please give yourself and/or us enough time to order them a new one. ALL components of the Klassical Kidz concert attire are <u>required</u> for the performances, please plan accordingly.

Klassical Kidz Recital/Concert Etiquette

- While students are performing, all audience members should be seated.
- We respectfully request that <u>all KK students listen to the music on the stage</u> and don't play with or listen to ipads/phones etc.
- For Younger Siblings that are not KK students, they are welcome to attend the recital!
 Feel free to slip in and out with younger children during the applause to give them a
 break as needed. Please wait and do not leaving during a performance if at all
 possible. We strongly encourage families with younger children to sit towards the
 back of the hall to make leaving the hall easier and less disruptive to the
 performers.
- After the intermission, please stop talking as soon as the house lights are dimmed again and give your full attention to the performers on stage.

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Thank you all for reading this carefully, it is very important that the students feel that their hard work is taken seriously by their fellow students and the audience in general. \odot

Summer Term and Summer Programs Students may be enrolled for

two, four or six lessons during our summer term. These lessons may be consecutive or may be scheduled around vacations and camps throughout the summer. We strongly recommend a minimum of four lessons to maintain the progress of the previous year. It is very discouraging to a student to return in the fall and realize they must relearn things they had mastered just a few months ago. Our "Summer Practice Challenges" help students stay motivated during the summer months. Students that complete the Practice Challenges get to participate in our Fall Semester Kick-Off Picnic! This year the picnic is scheduled for September 7th 2:00 – 3:30, location TBD.

"Jambouree" Sessions 2026!

Wednesdays July 9th - August 13th, 5:15 – 6:00 Ages 7 and up! *A zero-pressure*, super fun way to keep up your skills by "jamming" this summer!



- · Sight-read new pieces every week, no need to practice!
- · Open to Ensembles-Chamber students with parts for all levels
- · Come to as many or few as you like, in person or via zoom.

Each week we will learn Folk, Fiddle, Celtic and other catchy, toe-tapping tunes for a fun ensemble experience that won't add anything to your summer practice load.

Come Jam with Us Next Summer!

Please print the following pages for easy reference throughout the school year!



Fall & Spring Semester Calendars (2025–2026)

Fall Semester 2025 – Week-by-Week Calendar

Week#	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Sep 8	Sep 9	Sep 10	Sep 11	Sep 12
2	Sep 15	Sep 16	Sep 17	Sep 18	Sep 19
3	Sep 22	Sep 23	Sep 24	Sep 25	Sep 26
4	Sep 29	Sep 30	Oct 1	Oct 2	Oct 3
5	Oct 6	Oct 7	Oct 8	Oct 9	Oct 10
6	OFF Oct 13	Oct 14	Oct 15	Oct 16	Oct 17
7	Oct 20	Oct 21	Oct 22	Oct 23	Oct 24
8	Oct 27	Oct 28	Oct 29	Oct 30	Oct 31
9	Nov 3	Nov 4	Nov 5	Nov 6	Nov 7
10	Nov 10	Nov 11	Nov 12	Nov 13	Nov 14
11	Nov 17	Nov 18	Nov 19	Nov 20	Nov 21
12	Nov 24	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF
13	Dec 1	Dec 2	Dec 3	Dec 4	Dec 5
14	Dec 8	Dec 9	Dec 10	Dec 11	Dec 12
15	Dec 15	Dec 16	Dec 17	Dec 18	Dec 19
16	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF
17	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF
18	Jan 5	Jan 6	Jan 7	Jan 8	Jan 9
19	Jan 12	Jan 13	Jan 14	Jan 15	Jan 16
20	Jan 19	Jan 20	Jan 21	Jan 22	Jan 23

Winter Showcase Concert: Saturday, January 24, 2026 at Lexington Christian Academy Details coming soon! - Solo Recital Dates TBA

Spring Semester 2026 – Monthly Overview

February	3 weeks of classes		
	X OFF Feb 16−20		
March	4 weeks of classes		
April	4 weeks of classes		
	X OFF Apr 20−24		
May	4 weeks of classes		
June	3 weeks of classes		
	Spring Showcase Concert June 7 th		
	at Arlington Town Hall		
	Solo Recital Dates TBA		
Summer Break	X OFF June 19 – July 6		

Weekday Class Totals

Semester	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Fall 2025	17	17	17	17	17
Spring 2026	16	16	16	16	16

Summer Term 2026 Starts July 7th.



Chamber Music Institute 2026, August 17th - 22nd, 9:00 am -3:00 pm

We schedule CMI well in advance so that you can prioritize them when planning vacations and other summer activities. Our summer camps are custom made for our students and we work

in depth on music theory, beginning harmony, music history and ear training. Our summer programs are designed to take each student's overall musicianship to a new level as they come away with a deeper knowledge of the inner workings of music.