

# Thompson Tutoring - Private Music Lessons

**Tutors: Corey Thompson, Dawn Thompson and Kaela Hartmann**

**Ages: 5 years old and up – Lessons are held in the Loft at Centerpoint Church**

## Class Description:

Learn how to play a musical instrument! Beginner through advanced. Keyboard/Piano, Guitar, Uke, Violin, Viola, Cello, Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Trumpet, French Horn, Trombone, Baritone/Euphonium, Percussion/Drums, Voice

## 1) Students will:

- A) Play songs based on student's interests.
- B) Learn skills/techniques, terminology, and theoretical principles of their chosen instrument.
- C) Lessons will be based on individual student needs: A student-centered approach to learning.
- D) Lessons will be designed around the different requirements of each instrument.

## 2) Requirements:

New material is to be practiced at home after it has been introduced. The lesson time will focus on practicing songs and exercises, explaining theoretical principles, and demonstrating new techniques.

## 3) Supplies Needed:

An instrument. Band instruments can be purchased/rented through Marshall or Meyer Music. Additional materials will be determined based on student needs. i.e. Book, pick, drum sticks, reeds, etc.

## 4) Payment Schedule & Policies:

Lessons are 30-minutes each week at the scheduled timeslot.

The charge for each lesson unit was \$24 in 2021-22. Rate adjustments happen in August and enrolled families will be notified at that time. Monthly payments are in advance to lessons. An invoice will be sent before the start of each month as a reminder. Interested students will receive the Thompson Tutoring Student Handbook KAT for review which will cover the policies for taking lessons.

## 5) Drop/Add Policy:

Lessons can be added at any time based on availability.  
Lessons can be dropped at any time by providing 24-hours' notice.

## 6) About the Tutors:

Corey Thompson has a background in instrumental music instruction. He served as Director of Bands at West Branch /Rose City Schools, Kazoo School and Kalamazoo Country Day. He has been involved in church music his whole life: instrumental ensembles, instrumental solos and adult choir. He also served as a youth group director. He has a Bachelor of Music. Corey is the owner of Thompson Tutoring, LLC and has been providing private lessons in the greater Kalamazoo area for over 20 years.

Dawn Thompson has a background in teaching piano, voice, and guitar. She has served as a church choir director, church organist, and elementary school music instructor. He also served as a youth group director. She has a Master's in Educational Leadership and a Bachelor in Education (music and academics). She has been an educator in the greater Kalamazoo area for over 20 years.

Kaela Hartmann has a background in teaching violin, viola, cello, piano, guitar, clarinet, saxophone, and flute. She has a Bachelor of Music. Kaela is very nurturing and positive in her approach to instruction.

Questions on Scheduling Lessons? Contact:

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