Corey Massaro's Studio Policy

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❖ **Lessons are weekly**, and there is a **monthly payment schedule** for lessons. As my student, you are paying to reserve a weekly time slot in my schedule, so **lessons cannot be skipped and unpaid except in the case of major holidays (please see studio calendar on next page). Please note: if your lesson falls on a dark-green day of the calendar, you are required to pay for that lesson regardless of attendance.**

❖ **Payment is due on the first lesson of each month for however many lessons there will be that month** (usually 4 or 5 lessons). **This applies even if you miss that month's first lesson, but it is okay to bring payment the following week.** See rates and acceptable forms of payment below. (For Venmo and PayPal, please categorize payment as "sending to friends", otherwise I will get charged a fee for which I will need to be reimbursed.)

❖ **Cancellations of lessons on the part of the student will not be refunded or credited toward the next month of lessons.** I guarantee a minimum of two makeup lessons each year. Additional makeups can be discussed on a case-by-case basis and I do my best to be flexible. If your lesson falls on a school vacation or around the holidays, I will be *much* more flexible with providing makeups. I will only make up lessons that are canceled before the start of the lesson, though 24-hour notice is preferred if at all possible.

❖ In the case of inclement weather, either of us may decide it would be unsafe to travel. In this case, there are two options: (1) we do that lesson online, or (2) we do a makeup lesson.

❖ If I need to cancel a lesson, it will be credited toward the next month unless we can find a time to reschedule (your flexibility in this area is greatly appreciated, as these cancellations are usually due to illness).

❖ **Summer lessons only:** If your lesson falls on a light-green day of the calendar, it is considered a summer lesson. The monthly payment schedule detailed above will still apply, but if you are going to be away on vacation, please let me know at the start of the month and you won't be charged for that lesson (see the days marked in light-green on the calendar).

❖ If I drive to your home, I will plan on arriving to your lesson about five minutes before the start of the lesson so that we can begin on time. In addition, it is best for the student if they are prepared for the lesson before I arrive. So, to make the most of our time, please have the following ready: your music stand, whatever music we are currently working on, and your instrument unpacked and ready to play.

❖ If you take lessons at my studio, please arrive right at your scheduled time. You may park on the street in front of the house.

❖ There will be one yearly recital in either May or June. There will be a fee for the recital (TBD) to cover the costs of renting the recital venue and hiring an accompanist (if needed).

❖ Remember, **practicing is important**! What you get out of lessons really depends on how much time and effort you are willing to put into practicing. An ideal amount of practice usually ranges from 15 to 30 minutes a day or more, depending on the level of the student. We will talk about effective practicing strategies during our lessons.

❖ Here are my lesson rates and accepted payment options:

In-Studio Lessons	In-Home Lessons	Payment Options
$30 – 30 minutes	$40 – 30 minutes	Cash
$43 – 45 minutes	$53 – 45 minutes	Check (made payable to: Corey Massaro)
$55 – 60 minutes	$65 – 60 minutes	Venmo - @CoreyViolin
		PayPal: cjohnson2337@gmail.com

I do not have much availability for in-home lessons, but I am occasionally able to offer them, so feel free to inquire.

By signing below, you agree to abide by the rules laid out above. Please read them carefully and feel free to discuss any questions or concerns with me before signing. Thank you so much! I am really looking forward to our lessons together!

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Corey Massaro   Date: Parent signature(or student, if 18 or older)   Date:

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                                           Student's name (please print)