Welcome to Sarah Tocco’s private lesson studio at WCMS. Our lessons are filled with inspiration, hard work and true appreciation of learning to play piano.

**Teaching Philosophy and Goals**

Every student in my studio is committed to hard work and high achievement through inspiration and motivation. Music is such a wonderful gift in our lives and students will share their talent with others through performances at various opportunities. I believe that music truly will connect everyone together and I am delighted and grateful to work with everyone in the studio.

**Required Materials**

- music books
- pencils
- metronome
- Assignment notebooks

**Syllabus**

Every student will have technique exercises, scales and arpeggios and etudes as a mandatory part of a lesson. Repertoire will be determined according to each student’s needs in diverse styles of music and all students are highly suggested to participate in two annual recitals, with pieces memorized.

Music theory will be added in the lesson for students who are preparing for auditions and exams and at the request of a student. Usually, lesson time is not long enough to add music theory separately and all students learn basic theory through our method books.

**Student Responsibilities**

- Regular practicing, at least more than 3 days of a week
- Bringing required materials to the lesson
- Participation in recitals, concerts and other opportunities as necessary
- Completion of music theory assignments if there’s any

**Recommendations for Parents:**

Most students are usually punctual with lesson time but please call the school if a student cannot make the lesson or being late as earliest as possible.

Young students might need a gentle reminder for practicing during the week.
To Get in Contact:

It is the best to reach me via e mail at haera@usa.net, for any questions or concerns. If it is an urgent matter, please text me at 781–929–1859.

How to report a student absence: Please contact the WCMS main office by calling 781-721-2950 – you may leave a message at any time and the message will be date & time stamped. You may also email the school at wcms@winchestermusic.org. Absences reported 24 hours in advance of the lesson time are considered an excused absence. Less than 24 hours in advance are unexcused absences.

WCMS Make up Policy: One excused absence from private lessons per semester will be made up. A student absence must be reported to the WCMS office 24 hours in advance to be considered an excused absence. There are no make-ups for classes or ensembles missed by the student. All lessons, classes and workshops missed because of teacher absence or school closing will be made up. Make-up lessons may be given during or between semesters. Make-up lessons missed by a student for any reason will not be rescheduled or refunded.

Health and Safety: For updates about the WCMS response to COVID-19, please refer to the COVID-19 page of our website (https://www.winchestermusic.org/covid-19-information)