

# **Private Lesson Studio Policy**

Norina Rowen, Voice

### Intro, Teaching Philosophy, and Goals:

Voice lessons are a great way to not only develop your singing ability, but to gain self-confidence as well. My teaching philosophy is simple. I teach to help you achieve your goals. I bring my years of experience as a teacher and performer to my studio to give you the kind of singing instruction that enables you to succeed, whatever those goals may be. Guiding you in a warm and nurturing environment as you develop healthy vocal habits, increase your confidence, enhance your musical knowledge, and learn to perform is my great joy. The training carries into all genres of music. Learning proper vocal technique creates endless opportunities for self-expression and creativity and I love being part of your process. Whether we're tackling a Broadway show tune, Jazz standard, Art Song, Pop favorite, or working on sight-reading, ear-training, music theory, or performance and audition skills, the instruction is geared to you and your musical interests. All ages and ability levels are welcome and the training is highly individualized. Finally, and most importantly, I believe voice lessons should be fun! There's challenging work and lots of laughter as you learn the art of singing while exploring your unique voice.

## **Required Materials:**

- 3-ring binder
- Pencil
- A bottle of water
- A face mask (please note that face masks are still required during in-person voice lessons)

#### Syllabus:

Every lesson includes gentle stretching and movement, technical exercises, diction, musicianship skills, and repertoire. Theater Arts training is also available.

#### **Student Responsibilities:**

Practice requirements and participation in performance opportunities will be determined on an individual basis.

#### To Get in Contact:

I can be contacted at this email address: <a href="mailto:nrowen@winchestermusic.org">nrowen@winchestermusic.org</a>

• Available Tuesday through Saturday to send/reply to emails.

<u>How to report a student absence:</u> 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 <u>wcms@winchestermusic.org</u> Absences reported 24 hours in advance of the lesson time are considered an excused absence. Less than 24 hours in advance are unexcused absences.

<u>WCMS Make up Policy</u>: 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.

<u>Health and Safety</u>: 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)