

Minor changes have been made to the Private Lesson policies and a section titled, Weather/Snow or Ice Related Lesson Cancellations has been added. The changes have been italicized for your convenience. These General Policy changes for BSSA go into effect as of January 5, 2012.

General Policies

Private Lessons

1. Regular attendance at private lessons is expected. While everything possible will be done to accommodate requests for changes within *7 days* of a missed lesson, makeup lessons are not a part of the lesson policy.
2. Families of the Fitzgeralds, Stodola & Wood will receive a copy of the instructor's schedule. If you cannot attend a lesson please contact another family & trade lesson times. Once the trade is made please contact your teacher to inform her of the switch. If this option is exhausted, then contact the teacher. Families of Mrs. Schaefer please see the instructor to make a change.
3. If your child must miss a lesson due to illness or school event and a lesson time change is not possible within *7 days of the missed lesson* you must be willing to forfeit the lesson. *Please remember that your child's lesson time is secured specifically for your child. Likewise, other times have been secured specifically for other students. Asking for a rescheduled lesson outside of the 7 day window leads to additional work and organizational difficulties for the teachers.*
4. In the event of a family emergency or an extended illness, please contact your teacher.
5. If the teacher needs to cancel a lesson, it will be rescheduled before the end of the session. If the agreed upon rescheduled lesson is then canceled by the family, you forfeit the lesson.
6. No refunds will be given for prepaid lessons.
7. Parents are a critical arm of the Suzuki Triangle. With this in mind, if a cell phone call must be answered during the lesson, the lesson will stop until the call is finished, so the parent can fully participate in the learning process.

Group Lessons

1. Regular attendance is expected. Please carefully consider over committing your child with too many extracurricular activities.
2. Barcel Briosos members must attend group regularly & attend the last rehearsal before a performance/tour in order to be eligible to participate.
3. To participate in the Festival Concert families must attend a minimum of two group lessons per month.

4. Regular attendance at group lesson enables students to be eligible for summer institute scholarships & selection to perform at significant private performing opportunities.
5. To maintain an effective learning environment, parents please keep conversations to a minimum. Also please bring quiet activities for siblings. Running & loud talking is unacceptable. Students & siblings not in class are to be supervised at all times.

Weather/Snow or Ice Related Lesson Cancellations

1. *Private Lessons – Due to the varying locations of private lessons and the difference in travel for families, private lesson weather related cancellations will be determined on a case by case basis. For weather related private lesson cancellations, please contact your private lesson teacher. BSSA teachers are afforded one missed lesson per student per academic year due to weather related circumstances. Teachers are not obligated to reschedule this one lesson and families will receive no tuition reimbursement for this lesson. Additional private lesson weather cancellations will be rescheduled or the family will receive a tuition reimbursement for the cancelled lesson.*
2. *Group Lessons and Performance Opportunity Cancellations – The home page of the BSSA website, www.barcelsuzuki.com will announce all group lesson and performance opportunity cancellations no later than 2 hours before a scheduled event when BSSA decides inclement weather is in the area (ex. business/school closings or after school and evening events cancelled). If in doubt about group lesson or performance opportunity cancellations please see the website.*

Summer Lessons

Continuing instrument study during the summer is a requirement of BSSA. Students will have the option of choosing 7, 8, 9, or 10 lessons for the summer session.

1. A minimum of 24 hours notice must be given for any missed lessons during the summer or you forfeit the lesson.
2. There are no summer lesson credits.
3. If extra lessons are desired, the fee of \$15.00 per 1/2 hour is charged.

Participation in Non-Barcel Auditions:

Fees for participation in auditions such as the NFMC & MMTA and the accompanist fees are the responsibility of the student and his/her family.