

FA Private Music Lesson Policy

2016-2017

Private vocal and instrumental lessons are available for students at Freeman Academy. Students who take private lessons usually develop and improve their skills faster and with more confidence. High School students wanting to participate in the various musical groups at Freeman Academy as well as auditioning for state and national events are strongly encouraged to take private lessons. (Several of the FA student body do typically study with a private music teacher.) FA music instructors, Amy Hofer Vetch and Donna Ries, are available for private music lessons on campus along with the instructors listed below.

*All 5th-8th graders who want to participate in Band are required to take lessons during the school year.

Billing of lessons given by FA instructors will be handled as follows. Each trimester is divided into 60 days or 12 weeks. At least **ten (10)** lessons will be scheduled per trimester. The student will be billed for the entire trimester of lessons (10) at the beginning of the trimester. This method of billing will hopefully encourage consistent attendance and fewer cancelled lessons. In the event ten lessons are not completed or additional lessons could be scheduled adjustments will be made at the end of the trimester. Private lessons are available during the school day at a time that is mutually agreeable to the student, the teacher, and the classroom teacher. Lessons occurring prior to the school day and after the school day are not covered under this policy and may have other arrangements. Please check with your private instructor for the amount of his/her lesson fee.

Cancellation Policy+

If there is a need to change a lesson time a 24-hour notice is requested. In the case of illness or injury, notice must be given at the first reasonable time. Notice should be given to the instructor, if possible, or to the office staff. After one missed lesson the parent/caretaker will be charged for the missed lesson. If the instructor is ill the office staff will inform students at the first reasonable time. Rescheduled lessons will be attempted at the discretion of the instructor.

+This policy refers to FA Music faculty giving lessons to students during the school day. If you are taking lessons from someone else please inquire about their private studio policies and fees.

Instruction available w/FA Music Faculty

Donna Ries

- Brass Instruments
- Various Instrumentation

Amy Hofer Vetch

- Piano
- Voice

Private Instructors w/lessons on campus

Daniel Graber

- Woodwind Instruments (double reed instruments not included)
- Piano

Sherilyn Ortman

- Piano

Beth Preheim

- Violin
- Fiddle