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The BEST Instruction + The BEST Price = Your BEST Choice for Music Lessons!

SERVICE OFFERED	Prestige Music Studios	OTHER TEACHERS & COMPANIES
Large, state-of-the-art facility	Our 5,000 square foot studio is not only the largest in the area, but we have spacious music lesson rooms, incredible equipment and a family-friendly yet professional environment. We even have DirecTV on a flat panel screen and WiFi in the lobby, with padded chairs to sit in while you wait!	Some have very tiny lesson rooms, old and not fully functional instruments and equipment, and depending on where you may go there may be a variety of issues with the space overall. We have never seen another studio have a lobby/waiting area with the comforts of ours at Prestige.
Teachers with degrees in music/education	We are the only multi-instrument music lessons company in the area where we guarantee that your instructor will have at least a bachelor's degree in music, music education or a closely related field. Most of our teachers are full-time and on salary.	Most companies hire anyone who performs on their instrument and says they can teach. Some companies hire college students. At nearly all other companies, the teachers are "contractors" and may be part-time, not really focusing on teacher for their career.
Suzuki & traditional methods available	Our teachers receive training in both, and we will help you decide which is best for the student in your family. Suzuki is available for piano, all strings, guitar, flute and recorder.	We are aware of only one other company within a 20 minute drive of Prestige that offers the Suzuki method. We are unaware of any other company that offers the Suzuki group classes that are provided at Prestige.
Background, driving, sexual predator and FBI checks; reference checks; training - performed on/with each employee	Definitely!! We call 5-8 references, and complete an extensive background check. All new employees complete several hours of orientation, as well as instrument pedagogy training.	We have been unable to find any other company that does all of this. Others may do background checks but most do not provide comprehensive and ongoing training.
Custom teacher matching	We will help you find the right teacher. And, if it doesn't work (which rarely happens), we'll fix it! When you register, we take information about the student including his/her goals, availability, personality and what kind of teacher he/she would do best with so that we can find a good match.	Elsewhere, you may have to search yourself online or interview a variety of teachers. Sometimes, you may just be randomly matched with the newest teacher with openings.

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In home or in studio lessons available	We encourage you to come to the studio for the best learning environment. We will also come to your home throughout Central Ohio. The choice is yours.	Most companies provide one or the other rather than empowering you to decide what is best for your family.
Centralized, proven curriculum with many options for fun, supplemental materials	Our owners and managers have decades of experience and have hand-selected the appropriate materials that are PROVEN to work. Students have options for supplemental, fun materials to keep them motivated, interested and excited with their lessons!	New teachers use students as experimental subjects to choose appropriate methods by seeing what doesn't work. Some may not have the experience and knowledge necessary to make the right selections. Others may not have access to the many supplemental options to make lessons fun and enjoyable.
Recitals, performance classes, MTNA, Piano Guild, Royal Conservatory and other performance options	We hold "major" recitals 2 times annually. All of our teachers are required to be MTNA members so that we can offer the various options to our students and the pedagogical training to our employees throughout the year. Piano Guild and the Royal Conservatory Exams are optional for all students. We have other performances and performance classes available throughout the year at state-of-the-art venues and even in the community. There are always options!	Some teachers do not hold recitals at all. Others have them only once a year and do not offer anything else. Sometimes they are not at very nice venues. As far as we know, we are the only company at which all teachers are MTNA members. Most teachers do not offer the Royal Conservatory Exams, and only some offer the Piano Guild.
Teacher employment contracts	Our teachers are under a minimum 1-year contract, and they are W2 employees. This means that we are empowered to make sure teachers are using the proper materials, serving their clients well and are in line with our philosophies musically and related to customer service.	Most teachers can leave companies or quit with little or no notice, and are sub-contractors. With an individual, if he or she stops teaching you have to start the search all over again. And, if the teachers are all contractors, they are each "doing their own thing" in selecting curriculum, methods and materials that may or may not work.
Flexible scheduling, and rescheduling options	When you register, we take YOUR availability and use that, along with the custom teacher matching, to find your teacher, day and time. In addition, we offer rescheduling options so that you do not lose lessons you have paid for but could not attend.	With an individual, the days and times he or she has available is what you have to select from. Most companies try to place you where it is convenient for them. Many do not provide any rescheduling options, meaning that you pay for and lose a missed lesson.
No waiting lists	Usually, we can start your lessons within a few days unless your availability is incredibly specific or you have unordinary needs.	Many individual teachers have long waiting lists because they are so limited. With some companies, you may wait 4-6 weeks (or longer) to begin your lessons!

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No long-term commitments or contracts for private lessons	For private lessons, pay just a month in advance, and stop your private lessons any time with 30 days notice.	Some require you to pay for a quarter, semester or school year in advance, non-refundable.
Accept varying forms of payment	We accept check, money order, cashiers check, Visa or MasterCard. You may also remit payment via PayPal.	Most teachers and companies just accept check, cash or money order without the option to pay with a credit card or online (such as PayPal).
Rent and sell instruments and accessories, and sell music	We rent and/or sell all instruments and accessories. You do not have to make extra trips to other stores for your music, instrument or supplies (unless you desire to purchase an acoustic piano, for which we are not a dealer).	Most teachers expect you to figure this out for yourself, and it takes a lot of time out of your day.
Adults and seniors welcome	Yes! We provide excellent music instruction for students of ANY age. And, we have senior and military discounts. We even have an option called our "Music Pass" for busy adults who cannot keep a weekly day and time.	Many teachers will not teach someone older than the age of 18, or will not be patient and flexible enough to work with the learning styles and schedule of an adult student.
Many group classes and special enrichment opportunities	We offer classes such as the Prestige Broadway Academy, Music for Little Mozarts, Piano Exploration Class, Guitar Exploration Class, Violin Exploration, Suzuki Group Classes, RockShop, Irish Music Workshop, Ensembles, summer camps and more! These are wonderful opportunities for socializing and making friends, and it feels wonderful to create music as a group!	Most companies and teachers just offer a private lesson without options for other fun classes and group activities that are so important for keeping a student engaged in lessons. And, if a student changes instruments, you may have to search for a new teacher if your teacher only teaches one instrument.

If you have any questions, please call us! We will be happy to further discuss with you why music lessons at Prestige Music Studios are your best choice for music lessons!

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