

PIANO WITH FRIENDS, level 2 (2PWF)

Details:

Age: 6-9 (First- Fourth grade) who have completed Piano with Friends 1 or who have had some piano lessons prior to this class.

*If a child has had lessons elsewhere, they will need to start with an assessment and/or a “Bridge curriculum” that we’ve created to make sure they know the PWF terminology and concepts.

Class Size: 4-6 students

Price: \$1200

New Student Fee- \$110 (upon enrollment- due by start of class)

Encore Enrollment- \$110 (to hold spot for continuing enrollment- due April-May)

Choose from 3 billing options:

1. 10 monthly installments of \$109 from Aug-May or Sept.- June
2. 2 installments of \$600
3. Pay in full (5% discount if paid by August 31)- \$1140

Instrument: Piano

Sopranojam Music Studio provides full size semi-weighted keyboards for student classes. Students should have a keyboard at home on which they can play as well!

What is Piano With Friends, level 1?

Students will build upon the dexterity and coordination learned in 1PWF and begin to play more challenging songs, use different keys, and begin to read staff notation. Students will continue to learn by ear, by rote, and now by sight!

- Kids will teach their fingers to play, their ears to hear, and their voices to sing as they explore making music on the piano keyboard in this original group piano program created by Julie Stone.
- Students learn to play patterns, melodies, and even simple harmony by the end of the year!
- Stories, games, activities, singing, and playing by ear, by rote, and patterns form the first year of Piano with Friends.
- We focus on piano geography and finger dexterity and coordination before we learn to read staff notes.

Why Piano with Friends 2?

- Now that the students have learned how to move and coordinate their fingers, it's time for them to become literate in 2PWF.
- We bridge the use of symbols to show the sounds we play into staff notation so that staff reading comes naturally to our continuing piano students.
- Students are taught how to learn a song on their own through our systematic "OYO" (On Your Own) sheets. We want them to be independent learners!
- A little friendly competition goes a long way for learning those staff notes!

How does Piano with Friends 2 help families?

- It's not a fight to get kids to go to music lessons! Kids love coming to class and enjoy their hour long lesson!
- We have video tutorials to help moms and dads help their kids when they don't remember what to do (and the parents have no clue! ;-))
- The pacing of the course takes a busy family into consideration and includes variations that allow individuals to succeed at their own level, with "Virtuoso Challenges" for those who want to learn more and "Modifications" for those who need simplifications.
- It brings kids and parents together as parents provide accountability at home for accomplishing songs.

What do students learn in Piano with Friends?

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Music Fluencies:

1. Students can find and maintain a sense of beat in a song
2. Students will be able to read staff notation in C positions and G position.
3. Students can play melodies by ear
4. Students will be able to transpose songs to different keys.
5. Students will hear and sing accurate intervals.
6. Students will improvise singing and become accustomed to making spontaneous songs.

7. Students will be able to play various patterns on chords.
8. Students will be able to harmonize melodies with primary chords.
9. Students will be able to follow a simple chord chart.
10. Students will be able to progress to Piano Express curriculum with ease.
9. Students will be able to switch from I to V7 chords easily.
10. Students will master 3 pentascales with LH chord accompaniment.
11. Students will be able to transpose songs to a minor key.
12. Students will be able to read rhythm notes and count fluently.