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Dear Parents,

Hello everyone, I hope you're all having a wonderful summer vacation. I've enclosed my updated studio policy/contract and calendar for the 2008–09 year, as well as student registration and lesson scheduling forms. Please read the policy, and fill out the two forms, sign the contract page, and return the two forms and contract page to me with your tuition payment by August 20th (Aug. 1 if paying by the month—see *Studio Policy*).

New this year:

Semester schedule.

I have moved from a quarterly to a semester schedule—2 semesters, Fall/Winter and Winter/Spring make up the school year. There are 4 payment plans—please see *Studio Policy*.

Student swap sheets.

After all students have been assigned a time slot, I will distribute a student swap sheet. That way, if you know in advance that you have to miss a particular lesson, you have the option to swap your slot with another family. (When swapping, please let me know in advance of the swap, so Susie doesn't walk in the door when I am expecting Johnny!)

Competitions.

This year students will be able to participate in local/regional competitions and recitals (other than mine) in performance and composition. If you are interested in more information, please check that box on the registration form.

Parties/Recitals.

Last year the party and recital didn't happen and I apologize—it was my first year teaching here in Florida and I was still settling in! This year, though, the piano party and recital *are* happening—the Holiday Piano Party will be at my studio (see *Calendar*), and the Annual Spring Recital will be held at the Steinway store in Boca in May (date TBD). (See more about these two events in the *Studio Policy* and later this year on the studio website.)

Piano Explorer magazine.

This is a terrific magazine for kids—and a great deal at only \$8 a year for 10 issues. It is published by *Clavier* and features a famous composer each month, articles about playing piano, and music games, puzzles, and trivia. Kids can also send in their own compositions,

stories, poems, artwork, etc. If you want to subscribe, please check that box on the registration form and add \$8 to your deposit.

If you have any questions at all, please feel free to email me, or call me anytime Tuesday through Friday during the day.

Thanks to all of you, and I am really looking forward to a great year of piano playing with all of my current and new students!

Sincerely,

Julie Cleveland

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