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**MLC's Ridgefield Studio - Safety protocols during COVID-19 - a guide for parents & students. 9/8/20**

**The Music Learning Center** is committed to the caring of our teachers, staff, students and parents' health and well-being. The following protocols are being established in accordance with information provided by the state of CT. You can find all of the Re-Open CT guidelines that have been issued here: [https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/DECD/Covid\\_Business\\_Recovery/CTReopens\\_Offices\\_C4\\_V1.pdf](https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/DECD/Covid_Business_Recovery/CTReopens_Offices_C4_V1.pdf). While the Music Learning Center and its teachers fully intend to rigorously adhere to these guidelines, students and parents should nonetheless understand that no environment is currently without some degree of risk for contracting COVID-19.

- a. Teachers and students will be continuously reminded that if they do not feel well on any given day, they should stay home.
- b. Teachers and students will provide and wear their own mask. We will have a supply of masks available if someone forgets to bring theirs.
- c. 6' Social distancing will be maintained at all times. Our studio is equipped with a keyboard that will be used by teachers; students will use the grand piano.
- d. Parents of younger children are required to sit in on the full lesson in order to assist their child in the following of these protocols, and to assist the teacher with elements of the lesson, such as correcting hand positions and fingerings. Parents who sit in on lessons will be required to follow all of the same protocols.
- e. We ask that only one parent or caregiver attend lessons with the student. If two family members are taking back to back lessons, then both students may be in the lesson studio for all of their family's scheduled lesson time.
- f. Please use the hand sanitizer station located at the studio's entrance when you arrive. A second station will be provided in the lesson room.
- g. The waiting room will be closed. Students who arrive early are asked to wait in their cars. At your appointed lesson time please come upstairs and knock on the studio's hallway door – your teacher will admit you to the studio and provide instructions.
- h. At the end of each lesson the teacher will use a disinfectant wipe on any surface that the student came into contact with, including but not limited to, the piano, chair(s), music stand(s), door knobs, etc... Those surfaces must then remain untouched for 4 minutes while the disinfectant air dries.
- i. Please bring your own filled water bottle or other beverages to the lesson if you would like to have something available to drink.
- j. The building's landlord is responsible for the cleaning of the hall bathroom and has instituted a regular cleaning and disinfecting schedule. A key to the bathroom is available from your teacher.