

WHAT IS THE CBAM PIANO CLASS PROGRAM?

CBAM piano classes are a proven, successful and fun way for children to learn music in a small group environment. Fundamental musical skills are developed through:

- ❖ Ear Training Technique
- ❖ Sight Reading Rhythm
- ❖ Theory Interpretation

WHAT ADVANTAGES DOES THE CBAM PROGRAM PROVIDE YOUR CHILD?

1. Children enjoy learning together
2. Develop increased self-confidence and poise
3. Friendly spirit of competition encourages practice
4. Held in your school which provides a familiar and convenient location
5. CBAM teachers are highly qualified and are specially trained in providing group instruction

WHAT IS THE CBAM ORGANIZATION?

Established in 1922 under Federal and Provincial Government Charters, the Canadian Bureau for the Advancement of Music offers affordable, quality music instruction on a non-profit basis. Since its inception, hundreds of thousands of children have received an opportunity to explore and develop their musical skills through the CBAM's in-school instruction program. All teachers are qualified professionals who have successfully completed the CBAM's prescribed course in group instruction. In addition, teachers are supervised and must attend regular workshops.

WHAT ADVANTAGES DOES THE CBAM PROGRAM PROVIDE PARENTS?

- ❖ Reasonable rates for highly qualified instruction
- ❖ Convenient location, no extra trips to lessons
- ❖ An opportunity to assess your child's interest and potential in music
- ❖ Having a piano at home is not a prerequisite. Access to a keyboard instrument for practice is desirable to aid progress
- ❖ The eight level CBAM curriculum in piano performance and theory prepares students to study for the Royal Conservatory of Music examinations

HOW ARE PARENTS INFORMED OF PROGRESS?

1. A progress report card is issued at the end of each 8-week term
2. Annual CBAM examinations are offered in May of each year
3. Parents and friends are invited to the yearend recitals.

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WHAT DOES THE CBAM PROGRAM COST?

1. **ANNUAL REGISTRATION FEE:** \$99.00 (Paid once a year to CBAM) Family Rate for two or more in a family is \$94.00 per child. The Annual Registration Fee pays for Board of Education Permits and CBAM administration.
2. **LESSON FEE:** See **8-WEEK TERM** listed in box below:
 - Lesson for each 8-week term is paid directly to CBAM teacher. Your teacher's name is on the back of this form under 'Teacher Information'.
 - Lessons are one hour per week
 - Minimum enrolment is one full term. No refunds except due to prolonged illness
 - A CBAM progress report card is issued at the end of each 8-week term and includes payment due for the next 8-week term. Report card with payment enclosed is to be returned to teacher at next lesson.

8-WEEK TERM

There are approximately **four**, 8-week terms per school year (September to June)

Cost is \$128 per term (\$16 per lesson per child)

BOOKS ARE PURCHASED AT ADDITIONAL COST

Practical, performance, and theory books are an additional cost. The number of books used by a student in a year is directly related to the progress of the student.