

Catherine Willey's Cello Studio, last updated 11 August 2017  
If you have further questions, try the [studio policy](#) or [contact me](#).<sup>1</sup>

## Cello Studio FAQ

1. Do you have any openings? What is your schedule like?

Yes, I currently have openings. If you are interested in filling a spot in my schedule, please fill out this [schedule preference survey](#)<sup>2</sup> to apply an available time. Based on your responses, I'll try to reserve you a time that will be most convenient for you.

2. What do you charge?

	30-min. Lessons	45-min. Lessons	60-min. Lessons
Monthly regular	\$90	\$130	\$170
Early bird -\$5 (paid by the 1st)	\$85	\$125	\$165
Late +\$5 (paid after the 7th)	\$95	\$135	\$175
Trimesterly -\$30 (covers 4 months at a time)	\$330 (-\$30)	\$490	\$650

Tuition covers lessons, group lessons, and any additional opt-in activity scheduled for that month.

3. Where do you teach?

I teach at 880 E. Grove Creek Dr. Pleasant Grove, UT 84062. If you are arriving at your scheduled lesson time, come right in through the front door. No need to ring (unless the door's locked).

4. Could we have a sample/trial lesson?

I don't generally give "sample" lessons, but you are welcome to observe other students' lessons. I can point you to some students around your child's level. Also, if you'd like to start with just one month of lessons, that is fine with me.

5. May we observe a few lessons?

You are welcome, even encouraged to observe some lessons, but I highly recommend you confirm with both me and the parents of the student you plan to observe before showing up for a lesson.

6. What should we bring to the first lesson?

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<sup>2</sup> <https://drive.google.com/file/d/0Bz3PhPEhSie-TmFEUnpyOXROTFE/view?usp=sharing>

The first week, bring all the cello materials you have: cello and bow in case, rosin, music, notebook, chair, rock stop, etc. Also, bring a hard copy of the policy so we can ensure all your questions are answered.

7. What is your studio policy?

That's a big question. I hope you (and your child if he/she will be mainly responsible for his/her own practicing at home) will take a few minutes to look over my studio policy<sup>3</sup> which has important guidelines to help the cello lesson process run smoothly. I like to review it at the first lesson, but feel free to text or email me questions.

8. What ages do you teach?

Most of my students are 9-12 years old, but I have a few teenagers as well as a 4- and 70-year-old. I am trained to teach younger students. However every student is unique, and I learn as much from them as I ever hope they can learn from me. Also, I understand the importance of matching teachers and kids at different stages of development. I'm not always the perfect match for every student.

9. Is there anything you need to know about us?

I have recently started asking students to fill out a New Student Questionnaire<sup>4</sup> which helps me better prepare to teach them and address individual needs.

10. Are other children allowed to attend the lessons with me?

Siblings are welcome to come along, as long as they don't distract from the lesson. I teach in the living room, where there's a big couch, a lot of books, and even some toys. Refer to the studio policy for additional information.

11. What should we call you?

Miss Catherine is fine (and avoids confusion with Mrs. Willey in the next room).

12. Can we just take two lessons a month?

I don't do twice/month lessons because consistency in lessons is *so* important. If skipping a lesson means only getting one in a whole month, I get really worried.

13. How separate are your mother's and your studios?

We're fairly separate. I do try hard to accommodate times for students who have siblings taking from her, and I refer my students to her for chamber/orchestral opportunities. We have occasionally organized combined recitals, but our group lessons are generally held on different days, lest the house get overcrowded.

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<sup>3</sup> <https://drive.google.com/file/d/0Bz3PhPEhSie-Y1VLU01aZnNpM1E/view?usp=sharing>

<sup>4</sup> <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdwUZ6xKcS-irm7KhIralyPJZJ6tBaQh3FRTjBK02ZRWqH3Mw/viewform>