

Dear Parents of First Year Group Piano Students:

Welcome to the Carey Institute of Fine Arts Piano Lab Program. We look forward to seeing you at our **Parent Orientation meeting, Tuesday evening, August 17, 2010, from 7-7:45 p.m. in Room 222.** Children should not attend this meeting. The orientation will provide an overview of what your child will be doing this year and answer any questions that you might have about their piano study.

This year of piano study will officially begin with two group classes each week starting **Tuesday, August 24, 2010.**

Weekly class days and times: Tuesday and Friday, 4:30-5:30 p.m. in the Piano Lab (Rm. 100) with Dr. Elder.

Materials needed for class on **August 24th**: (music is approx. \$40 with discount)

Music: Discoveries A, Activities A, and Solos A Music Pathways—by Olson, Bianchi, and Blickenstaff (pub. Carl Fischer)
Solo Flight—Pearce (pub. New School Press)
Finger Starters—Olson (pub. Carl Fischer)
Bastien Music Flashcards (pub. by Kjos)

Supplies: 3-ring notebook with inside pocket
3-hole pencil case attached to notebook
Sharpened pencils
Audio cassette tape (once private lessons start)

Additional materials needed the week of November 8th:

Pre-Reading Christmas: A First Book for Piano—Faber (pub. by Hal Leonard)
Accent on Solos—Gillock (pub. Hal Leonard)
Right from the Start—Olson (pub. Carl Fischer)

All music will be in stock at Wolfe Gang Music, 3906 Hardy St. (601-545-2080). Please call ahead to make sure the music is in before going to the store. Bring in this letter for a 10% discount on music purchases for this trimester's group class.

I look forward to an exciting year of musical growth!

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