

Welcome to the Lessons – We are excited you're here!

Instructors and directors of Community Outreach Programs have undergone criminal background checks and are supervised by the University of Northern Iowa School of Music and their respective program directors. Payment for Community Outreach Programs should be registered and paid for through their respective program. This is the only way to ensure that you are taking lessons with a qualified instructor who has been approved by the University of Northern Iowa School of Music. Please note that teaching privately within UNI School of Music facilities, outside a UNI Community Outreach Program violates university policy. If you have questions about program policies or procedures, please contact the School of Music at 319-273-2311.



After **registering for lessons**, returning students will be contacted by your teacher to schedule your lesson day/time. New students will be contacted within 5 business days, by the email address provided, to schedule lessons. Any questions can be sent to unicommunitymusic@uni.edu.



After completing the **registration form** and scheduling lessons, students will be sent an invoice to the provided email. At that time, you can submit a payment for the year, or set-up recurring monthly payments that are due the first of each month while in lessons. Tuition during the academic year is based on 30 weeks (15 Fall, 15 Spring) of instruction. Students may enroll at any time during the year and tuition will be adjusted. Summer tuition is based on quantity of lessons selected.



All lessons will be taught in-person, at the University of Northern Iowa, or online, depending on the instructor. Students are expected to attend lessons on a regular basis. Teachers are not required to make-up lessons missed or cancelled by the student. Lessons that have to be rescheduled by the teacher will be made up at an agreed upon day and time.



ALL IN-PERSON CMS ACTIVITIES ARE CANCELED IF THE UNIVERSITY IS CLOSED DUE TO WEATHER. Lessons can be offered virtually in the case of campus closure or made up on another day. Campus closure announcements will be posted online at uni.edu and on social media.



Community Music School students are encouraged to participate in performance classes and recitals. Performance classes are held each semester and are offered in the place of one lesson. Recitals take place toward the end of each semester. Refer to the **Calendar of Events** for the dates of recitals and performance classes.



A complete list of **Community Music School Teachers** is available. **Tuition** is based on each teacher's category (***Panther White**, **#Panther Purple**, and **@Panther Gold**).

*Tuition

Academic Year	1 Payment	**9 Payments
*Panther White - 30 minutes	\$1225.65	\$136.18
*Panther White - 45 minutes	\$1838.48	\$204.28
*Panther White - 60 minutes	\$2451.30	\$272.37
#Panther Purple - 30 minutes	\$1406.25	\$156.25
#Panther Purple - 45 minutes	\$2109.38	\$234.38
#Panther Purple - 60 minutes	\$2812.50	\$312.50
@Panther Gold - 30 minutes	\$1875	\$208.33
@Panther Gold - 45 minutes	\$2812.50	\$312.50
@Panther Gold - 60 minutes	\$3750	\$416.67

Important Dates

Fall Semester: August 30 - December 19
Performance Class: November 7
Fall Break: November 22 - 29, no lessons scheduled
Recital Weekend: December 12 - 13
Winter Break: December 20 - January 23, no lessons scheduled
Spring Semester: January 24 - May 15
Spring Break: March 14-20, no lessons scheduled
Performance Class: April 3
Recital Weekend: May 8
Summer Session: May 30 - August 21

*Current participants in a CMS ensembles (Children's Choir, Community Horn Choir, and New Horizons Band) will receive a 20% discount off individual lessons. Returning students (from previous summer or spring receive up to a 15% discount if registered for lessons before 8/7/26. New students receive a 10% discount if registered for lessons by 8/7/26. Discounts are not stackable.

**Monthly payments are based on the total amount of lessons, divided evenly over the remaining months of lessons. The 9 payment example represents payments for students that start at the beginning of the academic year.

Summer	8 Lessons	3 Payments	10 Lessons	3 Payments
*Panther White - 30 minutes	\$326.84	\$108.95	\$408.55	\$136.18
*Panther White - 45 minutes	\$490.26	\$163.42	\$612.83	\$204.28
*Panther White - 60 minutes	\$653.68	\$217.89	\$817.10	\$272.37
#Panther Purple - 30 minutes	\$375	\$125	\$468.75	\$156.25
#Panther Purple - 45 minutes	\$562.50	\$187.50	\$703.13	\$234.38
#Panther Purple - 60 minutes	\$750	\$250	\$937.50	\$312.50
@Panther Gold - 30 minutes	\$500	\$166.67	\$625	\$208.33
@Panther Gold - 45 minutes	\$750	\$250	\$937.50	\$312.50
@Panther Gold - 60 minutes	\$1000	\$333.33	\$1250	\$416.67