Dear Voice Students and Parents,

My goal as a voice teacher is to help my students learn how to use their voice as well as increase their understanding and love of music. We will focus on breath support, range, intonation, musicality, posture, pitch, and how to prepare for performances and auditions.

In order for me to use our lesson time to our fullest advantage, I expect my students to come prepared each week. It is most beneficial for my students to come to their lessons knowing their songs so that I can focus on helping them learn how to use their voice. I require my students to practice 5 days a week. My students should lead a goal-oriented practice session rather than a time-based practice. They should be setting a goal each time they practice and putting in the time to reach it, whether it takes 15 minutes or an hour.

My rates are as follows:

• Weekly 30 minute lessons- \$100 a month

Payments are due at the first scheduled lesson of each month. I accept payments through cash, check, or venmo. I charge a flat fee per month. Ideally, if you are coming every week, you will get a "free" lesson during the months with five lessons. This usually makes up for the few times you or I have to miss throughout the year for holidays, illness, etc.

You are required to purchase your own music books, which I will assign during the first lesson. Occasionally, depending on the student's progress, I will suggest additional music to purchase. It will be beneficial to have a recording device to record part or all of your lessons to use in your at home practice.

I typically have 1-2 recitals and 2-3 group lessons a year. This gives students the important experience of singing in front of an audience. I will let you know when those dates will be as they are planned. Students may need to have an accompanist for recitals. I will provide an accompanist for a fee if the student cannot provide their own.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with questions or concerns. Thank you!

Sincerely, Leah Ward 801-699-7289