

Blair School of Music Prospective Student Sample Lessons Policy and Protection of Minors Acknowledgement:

Prospective Blair Students and Parents/Guardians: Thank you for your interest in scheduling a Sample Lesson with our faculty. It is important to us that you have a good understanding on what to expect before, during and after the sample lesson.

Sample lessons may be offered in-person or online, via the secure Vanderbilt Zoom platform, to prospective students. Students can indicate their preference for lesson platform and in-person lesson requests are at the discretion of the faculty member.

Prior to your lesson, please review the following:

GENERAL PROCEDURES

1. Sample lessons are not required for prospective students and do not affect the admissions process.
2. Our Admissions office will help to coordinate the lesson with a faculty member.
3. Blair admissions representatives will not be present at the lesson (virtual or in-person) but will be available to answer any questions you have before/after the lesson. Please email Blair.inquiries@vanderbilt.edu or call 615-322-6181.
4. Sample lessons are designed as introductory opportunities. Lessons will vary in length based on faculty availability (30 minutes or 60 minutes) and will include time for you to demonstrate your musicianship and receive feedback from our faculty professionals. Sample lessons are complimentary.

IN-PERSON LESSONS

1. In-person sample lessons must take place at Vanderbilt's Blair School of Music. Please review and follow the steps provided in the Sample Lesson email you received from Blair Admissions.
2. Students and faculty will coordinate check-in details prior to the meeting, and may choose to meet in the lobby & walk to their studio/office, or provide their studio/office number for the student to go directly there. Parents/guardians are welcomed to join the lesson if they are interested.
3. Once the meeting is complete, the faculty will provide directions to the building exits.
4. Professional attire is not expected but at minimum, school dress code should be adhered to.

VIRTUAL LESSONS

1. Virtual lessons will take place on the secure Vanderbilt Zoom platform. Please review and follow the steps provided in the Sample Lesson email you received from Blair Admissions.
2. After you receive the email link to the session, please do not share it with others. If you would like a parent/guardian to attend and they are not at your location, please include them in your lesson scheduling email so that they receive the conference invitation, too. They are welcome to be present at your location on or off camera as well. All Blair staff and faculty adhere to the university Protection of Minors policy and procedures.
3. Professional attire is not expected but at minimum, school dress code should be adhered to. We ask that you dial in on time and assure you have connectivity tested prior to the lesson. If you need assistance, please let us know.
4. If you have any other questions before moving forward with lesson scheduling, please reach out to our office. Please read and review this policy with a parent/guardian to ensure that you understand these procedures and requirements.

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