

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

CAN OUR CHILD STUDY MORE THAN ONE INSTRUMENT?

Yes! NMA teachers offer various combinations of instrument and vocal instruction.

Advantages

- Students can combine voice and an instrument, or 2 instruments and learn them at the same time
- Students can receive instruction in both instruments from one instructor or from 2 instructors
- Students can have the lessons scheduled back to back

Possible Disadvantages

- Students would have to find the time to practice both instruments at home i.e., twice as much home practice as just for one instrument
- Parents would need to purchase 2 instruments for at home practice
- The tuition would increase due to multiple lessons
- The student might get overwhelmed with the requirements and not enjoy music

Class Options:

- Combining two 20-min classes; tuition would be equal to the combined tuition of both classes
- Combining two <u>individual lessons</u>: the tuition rate equals the tuition of the combined lessons.
- These are various options for combining the instruments/voice:
 - a) One 30-min lesson per week with only one instructor; lesson split in 2 parts, each instrument takes up half of the lesson; or trading weeks one week one instrument, the next week the other instrument
 - b) One 45-min lesson per week with only one instructor: half of the lesson devoted to one instrument, the other half of the lesson devoted to the other instrument, or 30 min/15 min split.
 - c) One 1 h lesson per week with 1 or 2 instructors: each lesson is devoted to 1 instrument
 - d) Two 20-min classes

Possible Instrument Combinations with 1 Instructor:

- Piano can be combined with voice, guitar, drums, violin, viola, and ukulele
- Guitar can be combined with drums, ukulele and voice
- Violin can be combined with viola and piano
- Voice can be combined with piano
- Drums can be combined with piano, guitar, and ukulele

Please feel free to call us or e-mail if we can offer additional clarifications.

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