

Classical Piano Lessons at East Lake Academy

2019-2020 School Year

Instructor: Dr. Hector Rasgado-Flores

Objective: To provide the highest possible education in classical music performance. Music theory

and composition are also available to interested students.

Approach: Academic, like a conservatory but friendlier and more flexible.

Books: Hanon, Bartok, Suzuki (but not Suzuki style), major compositions of major

composers. All music is provided to students by Dr. Rasgado at no extra charge.

Concerts: All students are expected to participate in 2 concerts per year (June and December).

Concerts are held at a professional venue (Family Piano Co. in Waukegan). It is expected

that after 6-7 years of training, students should be able to present their own

professional level concerts.

Tuition: 1 student in a family \$35

2 students in a family \$65 3 students in a family \$90

Sign Up: Please E-mail, Elizabeth Simutis at esimutis@eastlakeacademy.org

Lessons are 30 minutes long and are scheduled on weekdays after school at East Lake. If your child is enrolled in the After-care program, Dr. Rasgado will find your child there and return them to after-care when the lesson is over. Please make arrangements to be at school with your child during their lesson if they are not enrolled in Aftercare.

Payment is made directly with Dr. Rasgado.

Dr. Rasgado-Flores was trained as a composer and pianist at the National School of Music in Mexico City and at the Royal School of Music (London). He has composed chamber music, piano solo, concert songs, and a symphony premiered by the San Diego Chamber orchestra. Dr. Rasgado-Flores has won several composition awards and competitions and performs regularly in Europe and the Americas. He is also a physiologist who studies how lung cells work in health and disease. His research encompasses the effects of music on child's brain development and on elderly dementia patients.