

Talent Education School of Southern Illinois, (618) 457-6300



## Quick Calendar

### RECITAL

**Saturday, February 8th**

*First Christian Church*  
306 W. Monroe, Carbondale

12:00 pm - Piano and Guitar  
2:00 pm - Strings and Voice

#### **TUITION PAYMENTS DUE**

Due **2/15** - Payment 7/11  
\$10 late fee after 2/22

### JUNIOR FESTIVAL

**Saturday-Sunday,**  
**February 15th-16th**

SIUC School of Music

#### **TUITION PAYMENTS DUE**

Due **3/15** - Payment 8/11  
\$10 late fee after 3/22

### AIM Exams

**Saturday, March 29th**

SIUC School of Music

#### **TUITION PAYMENTS DUE**

Due **4/15** - Payment 9/11  
\$10 late fee after 4/22

### RECITAL

**Saturday, April 26th**

*First Christian Church*  
306 W. Monroe, Carbondale  
Time(s) TBA

### GOLD CUP

#### RECITAL

*Sunday, May 4th*  
Old Baptist Foundation  
Times TBA

## Pre-Festival Recital

February is a busy month, with both our recital and Junior Festival. Each year we have dual recitals the week before Festival so students can have a "dress rehearsal" of sorts to perform their event selections in front of an audience. Each student participating in Festival will perform all Festival-related pieces, (some students are also doing duets) so there's a LOT of music to fit in. Students not performing in Festival this year will play one solo.

As usual, we have divided the students into 2 recitals as there is a LOT of music to be performed. As long as everyone is punctual and students are ready when it is their turn, we should be able to keep the length of each recital to about an hour. Recital times are 12:00pm (piano & guitar) and 2:00pm (strings and voice).

Refreshment signup sheets will be posted at TESSI. As always, we are really looking forward to hearing all the great music!

## Festival and AIM Info

**NFMC Junior Festival** takes place on February 15th and 16th at the SIUC School of Music, Altgeld Hall and Doyle Hall (aka the Old Baptist Foundation).

*Be sure to check with your teacher for your individual time slots and locations.*

We remind participants to plan for plenty of time to park and walk to the music building, use restrooms, find your room, etc.

#### **No photocopies permitted !!!**

All participants MUST remember

to bring original purchased scores for the selections they will be performing.

Guitarists - allow time for your instrument to acclimate to the building environment, and to get tuned up. Mr. Stoecker will assist with tuning as needed.

**AIM Exams** take place on March 29th at SIUC. AIM stands for Achievement in Music. The program focuses on music performance, theory, and reading skills for piano students.



2-1/2 – 5 years



A Place where Music is the Language and Fun is the Way of Life!

Open slots are available for preschoolers ages 8-months thru 4 years.

See Teacher Alyce

TESSI families:

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## Student News!

### Heartland Christian Conference

Grades 7-12 1<sup>st</sup>-place winner:

- **Jasmine Noble** (Piano)

Grades 4-6 1<sup>st</sup>-place winner:

- **Alex Baughman** (Piano)

Congratulations !!

## 100 Day Club!

Teacher Alyce challenged her students to take the *Piano Explorer* (a yearly magazine for piano students) 100 days in a row practice challenge. Students to date that have reached this goal:

- **Sophia Aflaq**
- **Thomas Aflaq**
- **Joshua Cheng**

WAY TO GO! How about trying for 100 more?

## Snow Days

Hopefully we won't have any more weather closures this winter, BUT...a reminder that when Carbondale public schools are closed, TESSI will also be closed. If in doubt, check the Channel 12 ticker at the bottom of the screen, our Facebook page, voice mail, or email your teacher.

Keep your fingers crossed that the weather cooperates for both the upcoming recital and Festival!

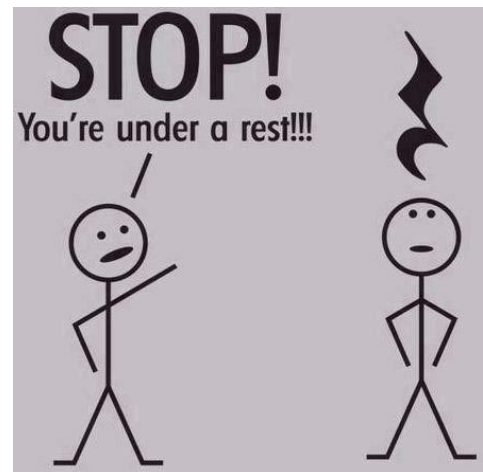
## Next TESSI Recital

Our next recital takes place on Saturday, April 26th. We will honor all of our AIM students at the beginning of the recital, and our High School Seniors at the end. (Seniors: now might be a good time to request time off from work if need be)

- 2nd-year or higher AIM students: please bring your ribbons to the recital.
- Seniors: we will have tables for you to show off all of your musical honors: Gold Cups, graduation certificates, pictures and so forth.



## The Funnies



Always obey the score! ☺