

Practice to Prosper Recognition Program

The Incentive and Recognition Program is designed to provide students with the opportunity to receive awards for performing well in weekly lessons, advancing their technical ability and participating in local events. Students will earn points in three categories: Lessons, Events and Technical Achievement.

Annual Awards

Honors Medal

- A Bronze medal with a white neck ribbon
- Accumulates 51 to 70 points from September through May.
- Recognizes students who advance at a steady pace and participate in some local events

Special Achievement

- A silver medal with a red neck ribbon.
- Accumulates 71 to 85 points from September through May.
- Recognizes student who consistently do well in both lessons and local events.

Distinguished Performer

- A gold medal with a blue neck ribbon
- Accumulates 86-104 points from September through May
- Recognizes students who consistently do well in lessons.
- Students are often recognized for the high quality of performance in local evaluation events.

Distinguished Performer Trophy

- Trophy with a gold plate insert
- Accumulates 105 points or more from September through May
- Students excel in lessons and other local evaluation events
- Consistently perform at a very high level and advance quickly through graded repertoire.

Lessons

Lessons will be graded every week. Students may earn up to two points per lesson dependent upon the preparation and execution of assigned skills

Minimum Practice Times (notated in minutes per week on five different days)

Students should log their practice time at the bottom of their assignment sheet. Recommended minimum practice times are listed below.

Skill Level	Minutes/Wk.
Elementary	125
Junior	180
Senior	225
Pre-Collegiate	450 (7.5 hours)
Young Artist	720 (12 hours)

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Events	Points
<i>Auditions Festival</i>	
Gold Medal	7
Silver Medal	6
Bronze Medal	5
Merit	4
Participation	3
<i>Ensemble Festival and OMEA Solo and Ensemble Festival</i>	
1 st Place	7
2 nd Place	6
3 rd Place	5
Honorable Mention (OMEA rating of 4)	4
Participation (OMEA rating of 5)	3
<i>OhioMTA Pre-Collegiate Buckeye, Concerto Competition, New Horizons</i>	
Winner	10
Winner-Alternate	9
Honorable Mention	8
Participation	6
<i>Overture Awards, Dubois International, MTNA Competitions, etc</i>	
Finals	15
Semifinals	10
Participation	8
<i>Junior Music Experience</i>	
Superior	5
Excellent	4
Very Good	3
Good or Fair	2
<i>Masquerade Musicale, Piano Play-a-thon, Miscellaneous Performances</i>	3
<i>Studio Recital and Awards Ceremony, Showcase Recital Series</i>	5
<i>Special Achievement in any event</i>	10
Technical Achievement	
<i>Advances to the next method book level or a step to Parnassus</i>	10
<i>Learns and memorizes 1st Landmark Piece in the following categories:</i>	
Classical Sonatina at Early Intermediate Level	5
Two Part Invention by J.S. Bach	8
Prelude and Fugue by J.S. Bach	10
Etude by F. Chopin	10
Classical Sonata movement by Haydn, Mozart or Beethoven	10
Complete Classical Sonata by Haydn, Mozart or Beethoven	15