

Private Student Guidelines

For the Studio of Mr. Eddie Lewis

2007 to 2008

Objectives:

Thank you for signing up for private lessons. I believe in goal oriented lessons and goal oriented practice habits. I believe in striving for efficiency; gaining the greatest results with the least effort. I do not believe in laziness but I encourage measured and deliberate progress over uncontrolled enthusiasm. I believe that success comes from excellence and can only be achieved through the daily habit of quality effort.

As your teacher, it's my highest priority to teach you how to practice. Yes, we will spend time teaching you the right way to play the trumpet and more specifically the right way to play your music. But the time we spend together should be a fraction of the amount of time you spend practicing. So I believe it is far more important for me to teach you how to practice than it is for me to teach you how to play your music.

Communication:

Communication is essential to the value of your lessons in several different ways. As your teacher, I need to know what your goals are if we are going to work together at achieving those goals. If you are trying to get a better grade on your scale tests, let me know and we will work on that together. If you are trying to make first chair in the first band, tell me and we will do what it takes to get you to your goal. If you want to make All-State Band this year, I can't help you if you don't tell me about those intentions. So you need to tell me what you want to accomplish with your music.

I also require your communication in matters concerning attendance. If you are unable to make the lesson, for any reason, **you will be charged for the lesson if you do not let me know 24 hours in advance.** This is standard practice.

I can be reached the following ways:

Cell Phone: 713-594-4584

Email: eltigredo@sbcglobal.net

Please visit my website for more information:

<http://www.eddielewis.com/lessons>

Once again, thank you for signing up for lessons. I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Eddie Lewis