

Dear colleagues,

As our lives continue to evolve and change with each passing day, I have received many emails about teaching piano. As an organization, we cannot tell teachers how to live their lives or how to teach their lessons. What we can do is provide you with information so every teacher can make informed decisions.

For the best information on COVID-19, visit the CDC website:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>

Many people are realizing that teaching their students online is the best idea for the time being. Below are resources recommended by Susan Todd and Cindy Peterson-Peart about online teaching:

Joy Morin (a presenter at our 2019 conference)

<https://colorinmypiano.com/2020/03/16/teaching-piano-during-the-covid-19-pandemic/#more-60979>

Wendy Stevens (a presenter at our 2015 conference)

[https://composecreate.com/easy-ways-to-switch-to-temporary-online-piano-lessons-covid-19-help/?utm\\_source=infusionsoft&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_content=covid19&utm\\_campaign=3-17-20covid19&inf\\_contact\\_key=4d28bef8c7d1c81806ae02e3a0591d680f8914173f9191b1c0223e68310bb1](https://composecreate.com/easy-ways-to-switch-to-temporary-online-piano-lessons-covid-19-help/?utm_source=infusionsoft&utm_medium=email&utm_content=covid19&utm_campaign=3-17-20covid19&inf_contact_key=4d28bef8c7d1c81806ae02e3a0591d680f8914173f9191b1c0223e68310bb1)

Hugh Sung

<https://hughsung.com/pianos-blog/how-to-teach-online-piano-lessons>

Deborah Rambo Sinn

<https://deborahrambosinn.com/2020/03/13/online-instruction/?fbclid=IwAR1yppVmyv3wPuaFuk2u33rYAbT40AEvc6KgoxDAzzSvkcRYcT1azgNzDQQ>

Below are links to two Google documents. The first is online teaching notes by our very own OMTA member Ruth Sadilek. The second is comparing online platforms.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1AVut3nxBtiKDKz5LYVFPs32so5stD9cf6Rbw5NfaQVM/edit?usp=sharing>

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1yQkpa7yVXRvXNNtchiS7\\_unIXgv5crvGiLMYIF7yYXA/preview?fbclid=IwAR3C-YCCcgxRtu7CxDKy5qV0nKvh2cvUcTG4o32er9xKryc7L8H11XqRWzc](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1yQkpa7yVXRvXNNtchiS7_unIXgv5crvGiLMYIF7yYXA/preview?fbclid=IwAR3C-YCCcgxRtu7CxDKy5qV0nKvh2cvUcTG4o32er9xKryc7L8H11XqRWzc)

Personally, I like Google Duo and use it often. It is a product designed to replace Google

Hangouts. You can learn more information about it here:

<https://duo.google.com/about/>

And here is a hand washing tutorial by the very funny and intelligent Alton Brown:

<https://youtu.be/tIwdf3WKe3Y>

MTNA is also working on teacher resources and should have information available soon.

Please know that I am here to support you. If you have questions or need help don't be afraid to reach out.

Sincerely,

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