

Ann Machado
Zoning Administrator
Department of Urban Development
City of Portland
389 Congress Street
Portland, ME 04101

Re: Application for home occupation

Dear Ms. Machado,

We are requesting a permit to allow us to use our residence at 120 Webb St. for a home occupation. We intend to give music lessons to students in our home. We will be teaching fiddle, acoustic guitar, ukulele, mandolin and claw hammer banjo. Our proposed use is an acceptable home occupation listed under item (19) of Section 14-410 of the Portland Zoning Ordinance. The following is an explanation of how our home occupation meets the criteria listed under item (1) of the same:

- a. Our home occupation will occupy approximately 500 square feet (23.3%) of the floor area of the residence.
- b. No goods will be stored, displayed or be visible from outside the residence.
- c. Storage of the material necessary to perform our occupation is minimal (a couple chairs and music stands) and included in the square footage mentioned above.
- d. There will be no external signage related to our home occupation.
- e. No exterior alterations or structural modifications to the residence are necessary.
- f. Off street parking for students will be provided in my driveway. We can have 5-6 cars in our driveway. We would usually not have more than 2-3 cars at the most at any one time. They would be there for a short duration as lessons tend to be 30 minutes to no more than one hour.
- g. No objectionable effects will result from our home occupation. We will not require the services of any employees. All music lessons will be acoustic- and not amplified. Lessons will be given in the basement of the residence and on the first floor. The house and basement are insulated and the house has double pane windows. Standing at the lot line, little if any noise will be perceptible.
- h. Lessons will be given Monday through Thursday from noon until 7:30 PM. Lessons will last 30-60 minutes. The bulk of our students will be