

How Trinity Exams Work

NMA is the only authorized TRINITY testing center in Illinois and is authorized to register only the current NMA students.

- Teacher recommends level and appropriate registration deadline (September, December or May)
- 2. The teacher recommends the appropriate book published by TCL. These books will need to be shown at the start of the recording before the student starts playing.
 - Hard copies can be found on Amazon, and you can also download e-books from the TCL website
 - For order information, click here:
 https://napervillemusicacademy.com/documents/book_order_information.pdf
- 3. Exams are only digital, i.e. video submissions. NOTE: the entire exam must be recorded in one take.
- 4. Recording Location: Students can record the exam at home or at NMA during their lesson. If the students don't have a full keyboard with weighted keys, they are welcome to rent the room at NMA.
- 5. The recording must be discussed with the teacher during the lesson, and we strongly recommend you follow the teacher's advice about which recording to submit.
- 6. Requirements: These exams are very demanding, and a passing grade is 60%. It is not infrequent for a student to fail this exam. Parents, please make sure that the student can commit to the required amount of practice hours to pass the exam successfully.
- 7. There is a required minimum lesson time for each level. The required minimum lesson time applies from the 1st quarter:
 - Levels 1-2 30 min
 - Levels 3-5 45 min
 - Levels 6-7 60 min
 - Level 8 75 min
- 8. For students combining 2 levels, the teacher will make determination about the minimum lesson length requirement.

How the registration works:

- 1. Fill out the registration form and submit the exam fee to NMA by the deadline: September 13, Dec 17, 2025, or May 25, 2026.
- 2. NMA will register the students with TCL and students will receive the confirmation from NMA when registration has been completed.
- 3. Students will have 3 weeks from the registration date to upload the video.
- 4. TCL will email the score sheets and will mail the hard copy certificates to NMA. Sometimes, it takes up to 6 weeks to get the results of the exam.

5. Fees per level (paid by cash, check or credit card; no additional charges for credit card payments: Initial Grade: \$108

Grade 1: \$128

Grade 2: \$148 \$158 Gade 3:

\$168 Grade 4:

Grade 5: \$188

Grade 6: \$203

Grade 7: \$218

Grade 8:

\$263