



Friendly-Frets

Additional Lesson Info/Policies

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Additional Online Lesson Policies

- **Students under age 10:** Parents must remain present with their student throughout their lesson either on-screen or off-screen in the same room.
- **Connectivity Issues:** If a lesson is interrupted due to connection issues I will attempt to resolve it and continue. When this occurs please call/text me at 425-760-9923. If we cannot restore a connection we will set up a new lesson time to make up remaining time that went unused.

Practice

Weekly Practice Objectives

- Students will also utilize a document I refer to as “Weekly Practice Objectives.” This document is designed to be an ongoing record of what was covered in lessons.
- Weekly practice objectives are also intended to be used as a task-list to help students structure their practice time around the priorities and topics they covered in their most recent lesson.
- Please review this document on a weekly basis to keep informed on what to practice and how to structure your weekly practice time.

Weekly Practice Encouraged But Not Enforced

- In my role as a private music instructor I will put forth my best professional efforts to encourage students to practice on a regular basis between lessons.
- My role as a private music instructor does not include enforcing or “making” students follow through on their practice between lessons. I believe that the decision to practice, or not, solely belongs to the student.
- Please contact me with your questions or concerns surrounding practice. I’m happy to listen and brainstorm with you on finding relevant strategies and support to better facilitate practice between lessons.

Google Drive Student Folder

- I manage all of my student's weekly lesson handouts and media through Google Drive.
- Each of my students has their own designated folder that will contain all of their teaching materials and media. Students/Parents can expect to receive a share link which will grant them access to their folder.
- Students under 18: I require a parent email to accompany their student's email when sharing the Google Drive folder as well as any other communications relevant to lessons.

Lesson Supplies:

Visit the following pages on my website for information on what you will need for lessons. Please contact me with questions prior to purchasing supplies.

- **Acoustic Guitar:** <https://friendly-frets.com/electric-guitar>
- **Electric Guitar:** <https://friendly-frets.com/electric-guitar>
- **Electric Bass:** <https://friendly-frets.com/electric-bass>
- **Ukulele:** <https://friendly-frets.com/ukulele>

Student Selected Songs:

Students/Parents are always welcome to share song/music requests with me. These policies apply to student/parent song/music requests.

- **I cannot guarantee that I will be able to figure out or find music for a specific song request.** However, I will put forth my best efforts to give full consideration to student song requests and provide what is possible within my available skills/time-resources.
- **I retain the right to decline teaching a specific song.** In most cases my reasons for declining are due to mature/offensive lyrical content or if the song is not well suited for the student's current skill level or chosen instrument.
- **I will retain the right to decide when we will begin working on a selected song.** There are times when I will determine that it will be in the student's best interests if they develop needed skills/concepts prior to working on their song. Or we might work on other songs beforehand that will better prepare students to have a better experience learning and mastering their chosen song.

- **Minimum 1 week advance notice:** I require a one-week, or next lesson minimum time-frame between when a student suggests a new song and when we begin working on it.
- **I do not transcribe student requested songs outside of their designated lesson time.** However, If a student or parent would like me to figure out their requested song outside of lessons I can provide transcription services for an additional fee for my time/services. Please contact me for more information if interested.

Cell Phones:

- Please silence your cell phone during the lesson.
- Parents: Please take pertinent phone calls out in the hallway if your student is meeting with me in-person.
- Students under age 18: Cell phones must be kept silent and out of sight during online lessons.



Communication

My Contact Info:

- Email: gordon@friendly-frets.com
- Website Contact Page: <https://friendly-frets.com/contact-2>
- Phone/Text: 425-760-9923

Agreement: Please Sign & Date

(Parents/Guardians signature required for students under age 18)

I have read, understood, and agree to abide by these additional policies pertaining to in-person and online lessons at Friendly-Frets.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____