

Guitar Lessons -- Ryan Sheeler
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Scheduling and Payment

- One (1) half-hour lesson per week **\$20 per lesson.**
 - Usually afternoons and evenings
- Payment is preferred in every other week or once a month

Required Books

- Mastering the Guitar - Book IA by Mel Bay
- The Dictionary of Strum and Picking Patterns by Fred Sokolow

Recommended

- Reading Studies for Guitar: Positions One Through Seven and Multi-Position Studies in All Keys by William Leavitt

NOTE: these can be found at any music store and online. **Check Amazon or Half.com for best prices**

Other Materials

- Folder for handouts
- Metronome for practicing

Practice Expectations

The student is urged to practice EVERY day whenever possible – somewhere in the range of 20-30 minutes to start with. With regular practice comes regular progress. If you commit to this early on, you are establishing good discipline which will serve you well for years to come. Also consider purchasing your own metronome – it will help you tremendously! ☺

Objective(s)

I believe in a comprehensive-musicianship approach to learning the guitar. I also believe that while all students have a particular style they enjoy the most, they should be exposed to different styles. I touch upon many styles like rock, pop, blues, jazz, country, funk, soul, acoustic/folk, Gospel/praise, reggae, alternative, musical theater and world styles. I believe that students who are versatile will gain greater satisfaction and will also obtain more and diverse playing opportunities. In addition, I will take time discuss guitar equipment, hardware, and how-to-restring the guitar with each student.