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NMH SUMMER SESSION

**2010**  
**Middle School and College Prep Programs**  
**GUITAR MINOR COURSE**

This course was an informal yet intensive introduction to the guitar, aimed at both beginners and more advanced students.

Beginning students were shown the basics of technique: tuning, picking, strumming, left-hand fingering, and an ever-increasing vocabulary of chords. These techniques were put together in the form of several popular songs, some chosen by the teacher, others by the students.

More advanced students were challenged as their skill levels required, with different styles of music, rhythm and lead guitar, and independent projects of their own choosing.

Both beginners and more advanced students were introduced to various concepts of music theory, and emphasis was placed on learning the notes on the fretboard to facilitate the reading of musical notation.

The class met for 90 minutes, four afternoons a week, for the five-week session.

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