

VIDEO RECORDING POLICY

At First Strum Guitar Lessons LLC (FSGL), we prioritize the safety and well-being of our students, particularly those under 18 years of age. Additionally, we aim to provide a high-quality learning experience with visual feedback and reinforcement of the previous lessons using video recordings. This policy outlines the reasons for video recording lessons, how these recordings will be used, and the safeguards in place to protect your minor's privacy and rights. In this policy, the term "Parent" will be used and is applicable to either the parent or guardian of the minor.

1. Parental Consent Required

Before lessons begin or purchases are made by a minor, the parent must provide written consent for the minor's participation in music lessons and for those lessons to be video recorded. The Consent Form is provided on the "Policies" tab of our website's home page.

2. Reasons for Recording Lessons

- **Personal Progress Tracking:** Video recordings allow you, the student, and the instructor to track the student's progress over time. By reviewing recorded lessons, we can assess improvements, identify areas for further development, and adjust the learning plan as needed.
- **Enhanced Learning:** The student's being able to revisit a lesson can reinforce learning, help with retention, and provide additional support outside of live lessons. Students often find it helpful to replay video portions of their lessons throughout the week during practice sessions or when learning/mastering skills. The teacher uses videos of previous lesson(s) to prepare future lessons that most benefit the student, focusing on their learning style, areas they have mastered, and areas that may require more help from the teacher.
- **Quality Assurance:** Recordings help us maintain a high standard of our teachers by ensuring that each lesson is delivered effectively and professionally by the teacher.
- **Clear Communication:** Video recordings ensure that verbal instructions and interactions are accurately captured. This prevents misunderstandings or disagreements that could arise from only verbal communication. Additionally, if any issues arise—whether regarding lesson content, behavior, or communication—video recordings can be reviewed to clarify the situation.
- **Clear Record of Interactions:** Having a video of each lesson provides an objective and accurate record of what occurred during a lesson and serves to protect the student and the teacher.
- **Promotes Appropriate Behavior:** Having lessons recorded helps ensure that students and instructors maintain respectful, professional, and appropriate behavior during sessions. The awareness that interactions are being recorded can serve as a natural deterrent against inappropriate conduct, such as disrespectful language, inappropriate behavior, or lack of professionalism.

3. Privacy and Security

- a. Your privacy is important to us. All lesson recordings are securely stored and treated as confidential. Only authorized personnel within our organization have access to the recordings. We do not share any identifying information about you (such as your name, contact details, payment information). Any forms completed on paper are stored electronically and paper copies are shredded.
- b. The lesson recordings will not be shared publicly, in person or electronically, in any manner without your written consent. We do not use our recordings for marketing purposes, advertisements, or any form of public distribution. We do not share or sell any of the information to anyone, including third parties except as required by law or with explicit consent from parent of a minor.

4. Parent/Child Agreement and Obligation

In cases where video recordings of lessons are shared with the parent or child, the parent and child agree to maintain the privacy and confidentiality of these recordings. Specifically, ***the parent and child agree not to post, distribute, or share these videos in any form of electronic media or otherwise, including but not limited to social media platforms, online forums, text, or email. The parent and child understand that prior written consent from FSGL is required before any portion of these recordings may be publicly shared or posted.***

5. **Property**

Video recordings are the sole property of FSGL.

6. **Consent**

By purchasing lessons and allowing your child to attend lessons, you are providing consent for video recording of your child's lessons.

7. **Changes to This Policy**

We reserve the right to update or modify this Video Recording Policy at any time. Any updated version of our Video Recording Policy will be immediately posted to the Home Page of our website. It is the responsibility of the parent to review our policies routinely. Continued use of our services after any changes constitutes acceptance of the revised policy.