



2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Homelink classes will begin January 9<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup>. We have some new classes and some of the classes that are already in session, are open to new students:

Many of our non-core classes are open to new students for the second semester. However, the core classes such as upper level math, foreign language, upper level science, etc. will only be open to new students who have been studying the material during first semester (preferably using the same curriculum, but not necessary).

Classes that are easily accepting new students for second semester:

**Applied Math**  
**Special Topics in Science**  
**Basic Cooking**  
**Drama 1 or 2**  
**Drawing 1 or 2**  
**Elementary Speech and Writing**  
**European Geography**

**Note: If you are interested in another class that is not listed, you may contact the teacher to see if your student might be accepted--it will depend on class size. See Homelink classes at:**

SHARE website: [www.sharehomeschool.com](http://www.sharehomeschool.com)

**Printable Homelink schedule:** <https://www.homeschool-life.com/mo/share/201718homelink/Printable%20Homelink%20Schedule%20take%2083%20%20and%20one%20half.pdf>

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## **NEW CLASSES:**

Because we already have so many different student schedules at Homelink, I am not going to immediately assign a certain time to all the new classes. Two of the classes DO have a scheduled time, but the other ones do not. Please note the following:

1. **Private Guitar Lessons** – to be scheduled individually with each student.
2. **Chinese Kung Fu** – time to be determined based on an agreed upon time for all those signed up.

3. Driver's Education – Thursday, 4:15-5:30 pm

4. NRA Basic Pistol and Shotgun Shooting – Tuesday, 4:00=5:30 pm

→→→If you are interested in Guitar Lessons or Kung Fu, please contact Cathy asap: [Ekcmullins@gmail.com](mailto:Ekcmullins@gmail.com) (You may also email Patrick Baker with questions: [stringtheoryguitar@gmail.com](mailto:stringtheoryguitar@gmail.com)) For Driver's Education or NRA, sign up via the SHARE [website](#). You will be instructed to log in first.←←←

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## #1 Private Guitar Lessons

**Grade/Age:** Any

**Instructor:** Patrick Baker - Bachelor's in Music Performance

**Time:** To be scheduled individually by contacting Mr. Baker

The student will learn guitar using a method that divides the subject into 6 categories: Songs, Note Reading, Theory, Technique, Scales/Arpeggios/Chords and Ear Training. Each subject has a level progression that is color coded (similar to the martial arts schools), but instead of colored belts we will use colored guitar straps. Private Guitar Lessons enable the teacher to base the sessions on what that specific student needs, not a predetermined lesson. This approach provides some flexibility.

**Cost:** \$10 per 1/2 hour (for the best result, a whole hour is encouraged)

**TEACHER:** Patrick Baker has been a private guitar teacher for over 30 years. He went to Jefferson College, and the Guitar Institute of Technology to study Jazz performance. He was the owner of the String Theory Music School across from Fox HS for 5 years. Mr. Baker also performs locally in instrumental settings. Mr. Baker became a Sifu (Master) of Wing Chun/JKD Martial Art in 2014 and has studied under Sifu Mike Sheng. His son, Andrew, is a student at Homelink.

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## #2 Chinese Kung Fu

**Grade:** 8 -12

**Grade/Age:** 13+

**Instructor:** Patrick Baker - JKD Sifu

**Times/Dates:** TBD by majority of parents/students interested in the class

Students will learn a practical martial art called Jeet Kune Do invented by Bruce Lee. This particular lineage comes from his student in Los Angeles. It works specifically well for smaller people by using a "soft overcoming hard" Chinese approach. The practitioner will utilize scientific concepts such as: Centerline Theory, Economy of Motion, Trapping, and Simultaneous Attack/Defense to overcome an opponent. We will study 3 forms designed to teach the basic movements and will then train hands-on with other students. Since it is mostly soft and students won't be hitting each other, it should be considered low impact training (and not bully training).

The actual training is with mild contact and includes pulling/pushing with pretend striking. These are demonstrations of the art applied with as much realism as possible. I would let Andrew demonstrate on me with this high level of realism because he has trained with me for years. But we are clearly designing drills as to not hurt each other in training. Wing Chun was designed by a woman. Knowing this might help you to understand the training approach needed and why it might be safer for kids.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KclGuMn4vB4&t=100s>

**COST:** \$90 for the semester (only \$5 per class)

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### #3. Getting Ready to Drive!

SHARE is offering another **Driver's Education Class** with the option of hands-on driver training at the end of the class.

**WHAT:** This is a 14-week class will prepare the students to successfully pass the written portion of the Missouri Driver Examination test. The course will use Pearson's "Drive Right". In addition to covering the written material, the class will also cover practical items such as: what to do if you are stopped by the police; what to do if you are in an accident; and how to change a tire.

**WHO:** Our instructor will be Mr. Tom Heisserer. Tom is a homeschooling father of eight children. He has a fully insured driver's training service in the St. Louis area. His background includes being a former Missouri State Highway Patrolman and a current accident reconstructionist and insurance claim investigator with a large insurance company. He has a current unrestricted Missouri driver's license. Tom has taken the Protecting God's Children class and has his background checked every two years

through the Archdiocese of St. Louis. (He also teaches Personal Finance at another co-op.)

**WHEN:** Thursdays

**Time:** 4:15 – 5:30 pm

**PRICE:** Course fee is \$140 for the 14-week class and you will be responsible for purchasing the student workbook (ISBN to be provided). Monthly payments will be made to Mr. Heisserer, via check or cash; but like always, please pay them through Cathy first so that she can post payment to your SHARE statement of account.

Following the completion of class, hands-on driver training can be scheduled at mutually agreed upon times for an additional fee. Mr. Heisserer has a Ford Taurus which is equipped with a passenger side brake pedal.

**HOW:** For [more information](#), or please contact Tom Heisserer at [8jsdrivertraining@gmail.com](mailto:8jsdrivertraining@gmail.com) or [314-837-4337](tel:314-837-4337).

To register, log in to the SHARE website, [Homelink page](#).



**Our NRA Class is not new, but you can easily take the second semester class without having to have taken first semester.....**

**NRA Basic Rifle, Pistol, & Shotgun Shooting (4:00 Tu)**

**First semester of this class was all about the Rifle. If you would like to take the second semester that covers Pistol and Shotgun shooting, the cost will be \$125. However, if you would want to pay \$250 for the entire year, the cost for the rifle class in the fall will then be covered.**

**Monty Schrunk is our teacher:** Monty Schrunk, President of Saint Louis Area Homeschool Shooting Sports, earned a B.S. in Computer Science from Southeast Missouri State University and a M.B.A. from Keller Graduate School of Management. Monty and his wife, Janel, are members of SHARE who have homeschooled their two children since 2005. As a child, Monty was taught to shoot by his father. He began teaching others as the rifle and shotgun instructor at Boy Scout Camp Lewallen in 1992. He's a certified NRA Rifle, Shotgun and Pistol Instructor and Range Safety Officer. He's also a credentialed Shotgun and Pistol Coach. Monty provides instruction for the homeschooling community and anyone else who wants to learn about safe firearms handling and usage. He also coaches the Saint Louis Interceptors homeschool youth shotgun team and Ballisticrats homeschool action shooting team.

**Description:** This course will teach the basic knowledge, skills and attitude necessary to own and use a firearm safely, including opportunities to shoot rifles and pistols at

stationary targets and shoot shotguns at moving targets. Material will cover the NRA Basic Rifle Shooting course in the Fall semester; NRA Basic Pistol Shooting and NRA Basic Shotgun Shooting courses in the Spring. There will be 3 days at the range: In the Fall there will be one day for rifle; In the Spring there will be one at an indoor range for pistol and a second at an outdoor trap range for shotgun. Students will be expected to participate in each range exercise for successful completion of the course. Students who participate in class, demonstrate shooting fundamentals on the range and successfully complete respective exams will receive NRA certificates of completion for each discipline studied.

**Topics covered are:**

- Identification of firearm parts, action types, and how each functions.
- NRA rules for safe gun handling
- Identification of components of a modern ammunition cartridge, types of ammunition and their use, matching ammunition to the correct firearm and dealing with cartridge malfunctions.
- Shooting fundamentals.
- Identification and safe use of the materials needed to clean a firearm
- Ways to pursue shooting activities after the course
- Criteria for selecting a firearm
- Shooting organizations and how to become involved with them

**Grade/Age Level:** 5th grade and up; students must be mature and responsible enough to learn and follow safe handling rules and understand the consequences of their actions, and strong enough to hold and manipulate a 7 lb. rifle or shotgun, with an outstretched arm, without assistance or support.

**Curriculum:** Class will use materials from the National Rifle Association. Packets will be distributed on the first day of class.

**Parent Info:** One parent may attend with each minor student, as an unregistered observer, at no additional charge. Only registered students will receive course materials, participate in shooting exercises and be eligible to receive a course completion certificate.

**Cost:** \$250.00 for the entire year, plus this covers all course materials, range time and ammunition. (Or just \$125 for the second semester, although full payment of \$250 will include first semester for next year.)

**TIME:** 4:00-5:30 on Tuesdays (not changing)

**Class Size:** Minimum: 6 students; Maximum: 15 students

**Additional Information:** No live ammunition is permitted in the classroom at any time. Firearms and ammunition will be provided for the course; students should not bring their own unless previously arranged with and approved by the instructor.

To register, log in to the SHARE website, [Homelink page](#).

Please note that except for Guitar class, the Kung Fu class, and the Driver's Ed class, any information about class tuition or Operation Fees that is on the website is for 1 full year. If you sign up just for second semester, those fees will be adjusted accordingly.

Let me know if you have any questions!!! I know this is a bit confusing, but if we can make a class viable, just by being flexible with the time it is offered, why not do that?

Thanks!

Cathy