Hello and welcome to the University of Texas String Project Classical Guitar Program! If your child will be beginning guitar for the first time this year, there are a few items you will need to acquire to ensure your child is prepared for the first lesson.

First, you will need nylon string classical guitar. It is important that it is a **nylon stringed guitar and not a steel stringed guitar**. There are four different general sizes of guitars you can get (1/4 size, 1/2 size, 3/4 size, and full size). I recommend that a beginning student anywhere from age 6-9 should be working with a 3/4 size guitar rather than a full sized guitar, and 10 or older should be working with a full sized guitar.

![Classical Guitar](image)

Second, you will need a footstool designed for playing the classical guitar. This should not be hard to find at any music store in town, or on the web.

![Footstool](image)

And third, you will need to purchase a copy of the book *Classical Guitar for Young People* by Matthew Hinsley. This is the book that contains all of the music we will be learning this year.

![Book Cover](image)

Like I said, these items may be purchased at most any music store in town. Some places to try out are Fiddler’s Green Music Shop and Straight Music. If you are having trouble finding *Classical Guitar for Young People*, check this website: [http://classicalguitarforyoungpeople.com/](http://classicalguitarforyoungpeople.com/)