Music School Course Management System

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Client Background

This project involves a small music school with a student population ranging between 300-500 and a part-time teaching staff of 10-30. The school offers instruction in various instruments, including piano, violin, cello, guitar, and drums, as well as composition. Courses are categorized into group lessons (2-6 students) and one-on-one private lessons.

Currently, the school manages courses manually using Excel, which is time-consuming and error prone. This course management task is crucial for the school's daily operations, and they are seeking to implement an IT system for more efficient management. The school previously attempted to use a SaaS system but abandoned it due to a lack of customization options and high costs for tailored features.

Project Objectives

The primary objective of this project is to design and implement a course management system tailored to the school's specific needs, with the capability to provide data to their financial system.

Requirements Overview

- 1. The current system is designed for single-user use, but it needs to be prepared for expansion to a multi-user system.
- 2. The system must be able to manage a variety of courses:
- 1) Course Categories: Group lessons and one-on-one lessons; piano, violin, cello, guitar, drums, and composition; fixed-schedule recurring courses and on-demand booking courses.
 - 2) Weekly Summary Schedule: Ability to generate a weekly summary schedule.
 - 3) Course Management: Ability to add, modify, and cancel each class.

- 3. The system must be able to manage teachers and handle tasks such as teacher onboarding, leave, vacations, class cancellations, substitutions, and resignations.
- 4. The system must be able to manage students and handle tasks such as student registration, leave, class cancellations, and bookings.
- 5. The system must be able to manage classrooms.
- 6. The system must be able to export data for financial use.

Architecture

The system development will utilize the following technologies:

- Frontend (React. js):
 - o Construct the user interface using React. js.
 - o Communicate with the backend RESTful API via Axios.
- Backend (Node. js):
 - o Build RESTful API using Node.js.
 - o Handle frontend requests and perform business logic.
 - Interact with the MySQL database for data storage and retrieval.
- Database (MySQL):
 - o Store application data.
 - Perform data insertion, updating, deletion, and querying through SQL.

Week 2 report

Tasks for This Week

- 1. Complete the setup of the development environment.
- 2. Learn React.js and Node.js.
- 3. Start functional design.
- 4. Start Database design.

Challenges This Week

- 1. **Limited Knowledge of React.js and Node.js**: Need to spend time reading documentation and watching tutorial videos to learn.
- 2. **Analysis of Original Requirements**: There are ambiguities in the definitions, which need to be addressed based on experience.

- 1. Continue learning React.js and Node.js.
- 2. Complete the main functional design.
- 3. Complete the main database design.
- 4. Start coding.

Week 3 report

Tasks for This Week

According to Sapna's suggestion, I will first focus on database design, then proceed with backend development, and finally work on frontend development. Therefore, I have adjusted my plan. After discussing with Sapna this week, I have basically completed the design of the main database tables. Learn React. is and Node. js.

Challenges This Week

• There were some confusions in the design of the database abstraction for the requirements, but they have been corrected after discussion.

- Developing backend code while learning Node.js and related technologies.
- The remaining details of the database design will be refined during the development process.



Week 4 report

Tasks for This Week

 Completed part of the backend code, primarily the modules for teachers, students, and guardians. And complete the corresponding test scripts in Postman.

Challenges This Week

Develop while getting familiar with Node.js technology.

- Next week, I plan to finish the coding sections for courses and completed courses.
- And complete the automatic generation function for long-term courses.
- Develop database stored procedures to automate daily course settlements.

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app.get('/teacher/:id', CTeacher.getTeacherById);
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app.post('/teacher', CTeacher.addNewTeacher);
app.put('/teacher/:id', CTeacher.updateTeacherById);
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const CStudent = require("../controllers/student.control
app.get('/student', CStudent.getAllStudents);
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// Search students for the specified string in name, ph
app.get('/student/search/:searchstring', CStudent.getSt
                                                                            GET get teacher by id
app.get('/student/:id', CStudent.getStudentById);
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app.post('/student', CStudent.addNewStudent);
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app.put('/student/:id', CStudent.updateStudentById);
                                                                            PUT update student information
// set parents1 and parents2
app.put('/student/guardian/:id', CStudent.setStudentGua
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const CGuardian = require("../controllers/guardian.cont
app.get('/guardian', CGuardian.getAllGuardians);
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// Search guardians for the specified string in name, p
app.get('/guardian/search/:searchstring', CGuardian.get
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app.get('/guardian/:id', CGuardian.getGuardianById);
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Week 5 report

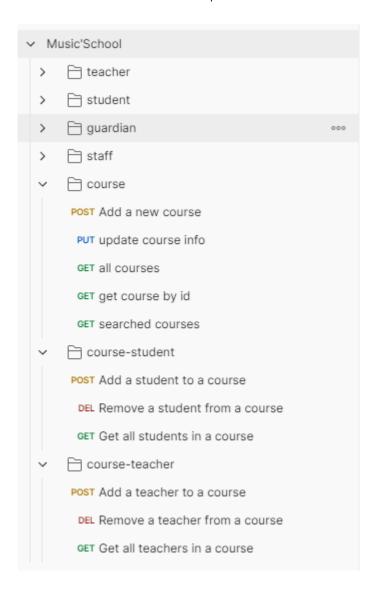
Tasks for This Week

• Completed all of the backend code, and complete the corresponding test scripts in Postman(Rearranged the postman request with sub-folders).

Challenges This Week

• Develop while getting familiar with Node.js technology.

- Next week, I plan to start the coding sections for frontend, and finish the client code of the first feature.
- Start to learn some lessons for bootstrap



Week 6 report

Tasks for This Week

• Learn to develop frontend applications using React and Bootstrap, and practice by following online tutorials.

Challenges This Week

 Since I have never worked with Bootstrap before and have limited knowledge of React, I need to start learning from scratch and gradually get up to speed during the development process. Progress has been slow this week, but I expect to gradually pick up the pace next week.

- Next week, I plan to complete a full set of interfaces for create, read, update, and delete (CRUD) functionalities.
- Continue learning and practicing Bootstrap.

Week 7 Report

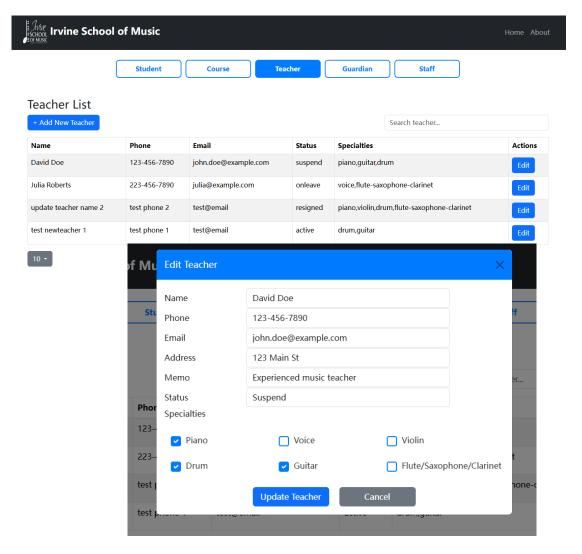
Tasks Completed This Week

- Successfully set up and debugged the development environment.
- Completed a significant portion of the frontend development, including functional interfaces for listing, adding, and editing operations.

Challenges Faced This Week

 Encountered difficulties in designing visually appealing user interfaces due to limited experience and a lack of proficiency in sourcing relevant online resources.

- Continue working on the development of remaining frontend features.
- Focus on deepening knowledge of the technical details needed to address more complex functional requirements.



Week 8 Report

Tasks Completed This Week

The development of all major front-end functionalities has been successfully
completed. This includes the implementation of essential features and ensuring
that the user interface is fully functional, responsive, and aligned with the project
requirements. The core components of the front-end are now in place, ready
for further testing and refinement.

Challenges Faced This Week

• The customization of the front-end components' appearance still presents some challenges.

Plans for Next Week

• Improve and optimize the code, enhance the appearance, and fix bugs.

Week 9 Report

Tasks Completed This Week

- This week, I integrated Google Firebase for user management, which handles system registration and login.
- I also completed the deployment of the system on AWS EC2, and it has been successfully tested for access. Additionally, I applied for Dynamic DNS, but access from the school's network is blocked.

Challenges Faced This Week

• Solving various access and permission issues related to deployment has been a new experience to me.

Plans for Next Week

• Prepare the presentation slides, prepare the report, and prepare the data for the demonstration.

Week 10 Report

Tasks Completed This Week

- Fixed several bugs in the application, ensuring smooth functionality.
- Prepared demonstration data for the upcoming presentation, refining it based on project requirements.
- Continued writing the project report, covering the completed sections.

Challenges Faced This Week

• No significant challenges were encountered this week.

- Finalize the project report with all necessary details, making sure it includes a comprehensive overview of the project's progress and results.
- Complete the preparation of the presentation slides, ensuring that all aspects of the project are clearly represented for the final demonstration.