

NGU String Project Policy Statement

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Congratulations on being selected to join the NGU String Project!

As part of your involvement with the String Project, North Greenville University and Mountain View Elementary School expect you to comply with the following policies. Violating these policies may be met with appropriate disciplinary or corrective action, up to and including dismissal from the String Project.

1. Each student's parent or legal guardian must complete an enrollment form each year. The student will not be permitted to participate in the String Project until the completed enrollment form has been submitted.
2. The String Project is offered at no cost to the parents, but donations are very much appreciated and may be made at www.ngu.edu/stringproject.
3. Each student must have his/her own properly fitted instrument(s) for the String Project. Recommended violin shops and music stores are:

Bernhardt House of Violins

5 Catechee Ave
Greenville, SC 29605
(864) 282-8887

Musical Innovations

150-G Tanner Rd
Greenville, SC 29607
(864) 286-8742

Gencarelli Bass Works

114 S Main St
Fountain Inn, SC 29644
Simpsonville, SC 29681
(864) 213-7470

Pecknel Music

1312 N Pleasantburg Dr
Greenville, SC 29607
(864) 244-7881

4. Each student is responsible for obtaining their music book for the String Project. The book is Essential Elements for Strings published by Hal Leonard. First year students should purchase Book One for their specific instrument. You may purchase this book from any of the above listed stores. Be sure to get the correct book for your instrument, violin, viola, cello, or bass.
5. Students must attend each class, rehearsal, and performance. Limited exceptions will be made for missing class if you advise the teacher well in advance of the missed class. Exceptions will generally not be made for missing dress rehearsals or performances. If a student's attendance is irregular, s/he will be dismissed from the String Project.
6. String Project classes will be canceled due to inclement weather when Greenville County Public Schools cancel classes for inclement weather.
7. Students must bring their instruments and music to each class, rehearsal, and performance.
8. To ensure individual and group progress, students must take their instruments home, practice regularly, and complete the teacher's homework assignments.

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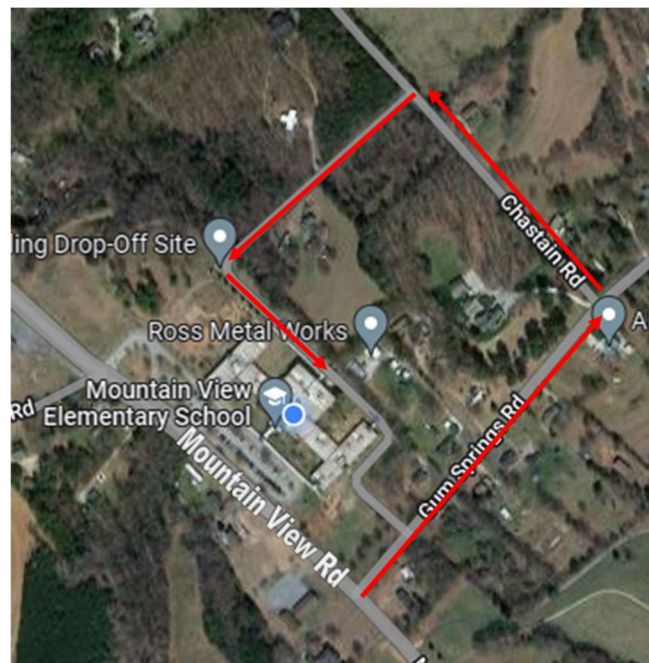
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9. Students must arrive between five and fifteen minutes before the scheduled start time for each class, rehearsal, or performance. Students are expected to have their instruments ready to play by the start time for each class. Students are expected to follow additional instructions provided by their teachers with regard to the time they should arrive for rehearsals and performances.

10. To drop off a student for each class, rehearsal, or performance, the parent, legal guardian, or other adult responsible for the student must come to the main entrance of Mountain View Elementary School 6350 Mountain View Rd, Taylors, SC 29687, and the string project student should enter through the Main Office entrance.

11. Each class, rehearsal, or performance will typically run the entire time scheduled by the teacher. Sometimes an event will finish early or late. A student will not be permitted to leave an event before the event is finished unless the student's parent or legal guardian makes prior arrangements with the teacher.

12. To pick up a student for each class, rehearsal, or performance, the parent, legal guardian, or other adult responsible for the student, must come to the rear entrance of Mountain View Elementary School. The rear entrance is accessible from Mountain View Rd, turning on Gum Springs Rd, then left on Chastain Rd, and left again on Mountain View School Rd, and go past the recycling drop-off site. The rear doors to the school will be on the right. String project students will be escorted out by a string project teacher who will wait with the students until all are picked up. (See the below map for details.)



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13. A parent, legal guardian, or other responsible adult must be available to pick up each student at the scheduled end time for each String Project event. North Greenville University reserves the right to dismiss a student from the String Project if his/her parent is late to pick up the student, even if it is a first occurrence.

14. Students will be under the supervision of an adult throughout each String Project event. If a student is not picked up at the end of an event, the String Project representative will continue to supervise the student and wait for the student to be picked up for approximately fifteen minutes after the scheduled end time for the event. If the student has still not been picked up at that time, the String Project representative will call the student's parent or legal guardian using the information provided on the enrollment form. If the String Project representative is not able to make contact with the parent or legal guardian or if the String Project representative otherwise believes that the student will not be picked up within a reasonable time period, the String Project representative will contact the appropriate government authorities and determine how to handle the situation.

15. Only the parent or legal guardian signing the enrollment form and any other person properly designated on the enrollment form or in writing (email or otherwise) from the signing parent or legal guardian to the String Project Director will be permitted to pick up a string project student. In the event that an unauthorized person attempts to pick up a string project student, effort will be made to contact the parent or legal guardian using the information provided on the enrollment form. If these efforts do not result in obtaining proper authorization for the pick-up, the student will not be permitted to be picked up until an authorized person comes to pick up the child or the parent/guardian makes contact with the string project director and approves the attempted pick up.

16. If any child exhibits signs and or symptoms of illness that include but are not limited to a fever of 100 degrees or more, coughing, sneezing, runny nose, vomiting, diarrhea, cold, flu, sore throat, pink eye, hand foot and mouth, please do not bring that child to the String Project. If any student shows signs of illness while in the String Project, the student's parent/guardian will be notified and asked to come get them.

17. Before readmission, we require students to be free of symptoms for at least 24 hours or to arrive with a physician's excuse stating that the student is symptom-free. Readmission is at the sole discretion of the String Project Administration.

18. In deciding the appropriate disciplinary or corrective measure for a violation of these policies and/or the instructions of the teachers (either personally or through a parent or guardian's conduct), North Greenville University will examine a variety of factors.

One such factor is the parent or guardian's efforts to contact the String Project Director in advance of the violation and obtain the Director's permission to violate applicable policies. For example, North Greenville University is less likely to dismiss a student from the String Project for the student's parent being late to drop off or pick up the student if the parent contacted the String Project Director earlier that day and obtained permission for the tardiness.

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19. Students, parents, legal guardians, and others must comply with the String Project Director's, Master Teacher's, teachers' or Mountain View Elementary School representative's instructions.

20. North Greenville University reserves the right to supplement or modify these policies as it sees fit in its sole discretion with or without notice.

21. Any questions or concerns regarding these policies may be addressed to the String Project Director, Dr. Michael Weaver, by email michael.weaver@ngu.edu or by (864) 431-9988 (cell/text).