

Barton Pond Ukulele Club Rules and Policies

1. Students must arrive promptly at rehearsal in the music room at 8 a.m. on all rehearsal dates listed on the schedule on the “ukulele” tab at www.bartonpondmusic.blogspot.com.
2. Students need to purchase the ukulele found on the “auditions” tab under the heading “ukulele club” on the Barton Pond music blog. Students must purchase the Donner Concert Ukulele so that the ukuleles in our ensemble have the same tuning and sound good together.
3. If a student misses 3 rehearsals without a written notice from a parent or guardian, the student will be dismissed from the ukulele ensemble.
4. Students must be at every performance. The only exception is an emergency. If a student misses a performance without a doctor’s or parent note that indicates that an emergency took place, the student will be dismissed from the ukulele club. One of the goals of the music program at Barton Pond Elementary is to teach students accountability.
5. Students should wear the specified attire for each performance. If a student is having trouble getting the clothes necessary for the performance, please contact the music director, Ms. Stephanie Sanders, at ssanders@wcpss.net for assistance.
6. Students must exhibit good behavior in the ukulele club, music class, and at performances to remain a member in the ensemble. If students fail to show good behavior in these settings, the students will be dismissed from the group. Showing good behavior includes:
 - a. Remaining quiet during rehearsals unless instructed to do otherwise
 - b. Following directions given by the instructor
 - c. Respecting others
 - d. Leading by example

*After receiving three behavior notices, a student will be dismissed from the ukulele club.
7. Students need to have a positive attitude when participating in ukulele club activities. Being in this ensemble is a privilege.
8. Students are not permitted to bring food or drinks to ukulele ensemble rehearsals. If a student brings food or drinks to rehearsals, he or she will be asked to discard it. Students may bring a water bottle to rehearsal.
9. Students should not be playing their ukuleles in their homeroom classes or anywhere else around the school outside of percussion club. Teachers and administrators have the right to confiscate their instruments until the end of the day if students violate this rule.
10. Students are required to check the music blog for information about the ukulele club’s events, music, and activities. The music blog can be located at www.bartonpondmusic.blogspot.com.
11. Students can also check the blog to learn how to tune their instrument and to use the videos to tune their ukuleles.
12. Students are required to practice at home. Good musicians practice. Please practice your music at home so that we can maximize our time in rehearsals. Use the videos on the “ukulele” tab of the blog to practice.
13. Students are required to have fun while participating in the ukulele ensemble. Performing music is exciting. Students should enjoy being in this ensemble.