



Participant Guidelines for NSSWE Online

NSSWE is a child safe organisation which recognises and encourages talent and wishes to ensure that all participants feel safe and supported in their learning.

NSSWE have implemented Participant Guidelines for NSSWE Online that are to be used in conjunction with the existing [NSSWE Participant Code of Conduct](#) and [NSSWE Participant Code of Conduct Junior Version](#).

By participating in NSSWE Online you must agree to abide by the following:

Online Behaviour

- NSSWE ensembles will be participating in weekly online sessions using the Zoom online video conferencing platform. Please note that these sessions will be recorded.
- Usual rehearsal behaviour is expected. Musicians should listen quietly whilst others are speaking or playing. If you would like to ask a question or comment please use the “raise hand” feature on Zoom. Be respectful when addressing NSSWE staff and musicians. Anyone being intentionally disruptive will be muted and/or removed from the meeting.
- When interacting in platforms that have online forums such as Google Classroom and Soundtrap, be mindful of acting respectfully. This includes no deleting or editing of other musician's and conductor's content, contributing to group discussions in a positive way and fostering a productive working community.
- Musicians are not to record Zoom sessions and screenshots are not permitted.

Attire

- Musicians should dress as they normally would for their NSSWE rehearsal. Under no circumstances should pyjamas or inappropriate clothing be worn during live Zoom rehearsals and video recording tasks.

Attendance

- Musicians should attend all weekly rehearsals. Please be ready with your instrument, music and music stand and log in to your Zoom session 10 minutes prior to rehearsal commencement. When you join a rehearsal, you will be placed in a ‘waiting room’ until the start of the rehearsal. It may take time to admit everyone into the session, especially in the first few sessions.
- If you are unable to attend please fill out the online absence link [HERE](#) or send a text to your orchestral manager.
- It is preferred that online sessions take place in a quiet communal area of your home. Bedrooms are to be avoided if possible and if they are used it is recommended that the door is left open. Parents/carers should be in the room or nearby, within earshot, during the session.
- Please be aware of what is visible on the screen behind you to protect the privacy of your other family members.



Access

- Do NOT share Google account logins or passwords or Zoom meeting links and passwords. This is to ensure the safety of all NSSWE musicians and efficiency of all learning activities

Communicating with NSSWE staff and conductors

- Musicians should only be in contact with their orchestral managers and conductors during their online Zoom session. If there are questions or concerns outside of normal rehearsal time, these should be directed by email from the musician's parent/carer, to Jane at manager@nsswe.org.au . Jane will then redirect the question to the staff member.

NSSWE staff reserve the right to remove any participant demonstrating unsafe behaviour during the NSSWE Online sessions and will contact parents/guardians immediately. This includes behaviour that has been reported by other participants, tutors or conductors.

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