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DJ club makes its debut at North

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With These Hands Mix Academy student Miguel (DJ M-vee) Avila is inspired and starts the first DJ Club ever in a high school. Yes, you have heard of Chess clubs, Soccer clubs, and even FBLA. Well now at North Meck High School in Charlotte NC you have a DJ Club.

The club still holds the same standards as the Charlotte based Mix Academy. Helping students in and out of the classroom the 501c3 non profit Academy teaches everything from the Art of Djing to Conflict Resolution. The 16 year old Miguel began Djing in the middle of his 8th grade year and quickly learned that it takes hard work to be successful.

Miguel had this to say "Many might

have the desire to be an expert in a field but lack commitment, passion and motivation, which ultimately makes them fail in their desire to accomplish expertly in a field. Now at a young age, I'm learning that expertly in a field is really difficult to accomplish. I dream and wish of becoming an expert and successful in the field of Djing. I know it takes more than just wishing and dreaming to accomplish a goal. I believe it's good to have dreams and wishes but it's even better when one does something to accomplish those dreams or wishes. I know it's going to take motivation, commitment and practice to become an expert in the Dj field." Miguel also just won the Jr. DJ of the year award giving by Jeff Cheen founder of the Charlotte Music Awards. Miguel also is an outstanding student and will be attending state for the DECA club. The With These Hands North Meck club teaches close to a hundred students once a week.



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The members of the DJ Club posed for a picture in their matching club shirts that read "With These Hands."