

ALDRIDGE STATE HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC EXCELLENCE PROGRAM

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Program Delivery-

Aldridge State High offers music students in Years 7, 8, 9, and 10 the opportunity to be part of an extension music class, designed to encourage the pursuit of excellence in music. The Year 7-8 extension class provides modern musical learners a further chance to develop their performance skills and build upon theoretical knowledge. The subject features ICT incorporation in a 21st Century and performance environment. The class also features at the annual showcase evenings and has the chance to tour as part of the Instrumental Program. The class setting features the latest in recording software and smaller class sizes for young musicians. The Year 7 and 8 students prepare performance portfolios and undertake more advanced performing and classroom music activities, including completing AMEB Grade 1 and 2 Theory.

Students are also eligible for membership in school ensembles, depending on instrument (Concert Band, Stage Band, String Ensemble and/or Vocal Group) and standard of ability.

Who will be considered for the program:

- Students who are involved in primary music instrumental programs (and play a woodwind, brass, percussion or orchestral stringed instrument), and/or
- Students who have private music lessons (guitar, piano voice) and/or
- Students who are involved in choral programs, and/or
- Students who show potential in core classes

Students who are accepted into the music excellence will receive an updated performance folio per Semester and be invited to play at the annual showcase evening. (Music Excellence students must maintain above a 90% attendance rate and be participating in one ensemble) to retain their enrolment eligibility.

For further information see below or please contact:

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Answers to some Frequently Asked Questions:

What does it mean to be in the Music Excellence Class?

Aldridge SHS offers musical students the opportunity to be part of an extension music program. This class is designed to encourage the pursuit of excellence in music. This subject is offered over the entire year rather than only one term of core Music. (Without this course- Music students only receive 10 weeks total in the 2 year cycle)

Content includes inclusion in the showcase evenings, recorded performances provided on Blu-Ray quality and completing AMEB courses in theory. Students are also eligible for membership in school ensembles, depending on instrument (Concert Band, Stage Band, String Orchestra, Percussion Ensemble and/or Choir) and standard of ability.

What do I miss out on if I am in a Music Excellence Class?

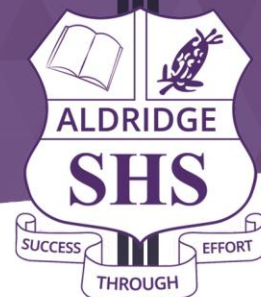
The great difference between this class and the junior mainstream elective classes is that you will be able to study music during the **ENTIRE** Year 7 and 8 calendar. (Normally each elective is only offered 1 term in either Year 7 or 8, therefore musical students would only receive 10 weeks across 2 years). While non-musical students rotate through the 8 electives, extension music students stay in the program the entire year. Students in the Year 9 extension class must maintain a high standard (B or above) for a minimum one semester to be eligible for Year 10.

The only classes students miss out on include- Agriculture, Design Studies, Man Arts, Art Home Ec, and Business. (PFA will be included in Music Extension)

When does my student rehearse?

A student receives 4 x 55 minute lessons per week, along with a section/group session with their chosen ensemble (before/after school) - Students should also be practicing at home 1-2 hours per week.





ALDRIDGE STATE HIGH SCHOOL- MUSIC EXCELLENCE PROGRAM APPLICATION FORM

(Please Return to Mr Hodgo- K Block staffroom- By 30th November)

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STUDENT PERSONAL DETAILS

Student Name: _____

Instrument/s: _____

Parent/Carer Details:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

DETAILS OF INSTRUMENT(S) PLAYED:

| Instrument | Years Tuition | AMEB Level (list) | Style of most enjoyed music on this instrument |
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Example Folio: USB: provided to every student with copy of their performance at showcase nights.

| Instrument | Performance | Analysis | Composing |
|-----------------------|---|----------|-----------|
| Piano (Term 1) | A | B | A |
| Piano (Term 2) | A | B | B |
| Overall | A | B | B+ |
| Key Performance dates | March- Parade Aldridge Talent Showcase Night Music Tour | | |

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____



School Program Overview- 2018

Year 7- Music

AMEB Theory Text Grade 1+ Weekly Memory Bank (definitions)

| Term | Unit Name | Focus | Assessment Items |
|------|---|--------------------------|--|
| 1 | Essentials of Music | Music Elements | Exam (Term 1) Score Analysis (Term 2) |
| 2 | Essentials of Music | Performance Recording | Prac Folio (Term 2) |
| 3 | Song writing AMEB Grade 1 | Composing | 4 Part composition |
| 4 | Song writing and Performance AMEB Grade 1 | Performance Composing | Performance Folio and Showcase night |

Year 8 Music

AMEB Theory Text Grade 2- Completed by end of Year 8.

| Term | Unit Name | Focus | Assessment Items |
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| 1 | Musicals and Music VLOG | Literacy and Analyzing Music | Analysis and Performance |
| 2 | Gargage Band and Pro Tools | Composing with software | Composition (Ipad- protocols) Assignment |
| 3 | Showcase performances AMEB Grade 2 | Performances techniques and Instruments | Performance Exam |
| 4 | AMEB Grade 2 Pre- Year 9 Extension | Composing with Modern genres | Composition Assignment |