



Music Performance Program

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF TUITION

Welcome to Aldridge SHS Music Program. This handbook provides information, details and arrangements to help both student and parents understand what is being offered to support your son's/daughter's music development. Through commitment and practice it is hoped that you achieve your musical goals. The music program at Aldridge High offers excellent quality tuition for keen and committed students in any year level or ability.

Please read the following information carefully and keep it for reference. If you wish to begin learning an instrument (or vocals), to join our curriculum classes or receive weekly tuition please return the attached enrolment form. We love to hear from you. ALL LEVELS WELCOME.

BROAD AIMS OF THE INSTRUMENTAL PROGRAM

The aim of the music program is the development of students' musical, social and personal awareness through participation in music curriculum and music as an extra-curricular pursuit. Students will be encouraged to participate in various workshops and practice sessions and we trust they will experience the joys of music making all year round. To support literacy, technique and performance our Music Curriculum subject offers both core/extension classes over 200 minutes per week. This amazing opportunity features tailored instruction based on the following instruments below.

INSTRUMENTS TAUGHT AT ALDRIDGE STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Tuition is available to students on the following instruments:

Orchestra	Concert Band and Stage Band			Other Lessons to Support Curriculum
Strings Instruments	Woodwind	Brass	Rhythm Section	
Violin	Flute	Trombone	Drum Kit	Piano
Viola	Clarinet	Trumpet	Percussion-Tuned	Acoustic/ Elec Guitar
Cello	Alto Saxophone	French Horn	Mallets	Voice
Double Bass	Tenor Saxophone	Euphonium	Bass Guitar	Sound Production
	Baritone Saxophone	Tuba		Ukulele



ABOUT:

Aldridge students are provided with the opportunity to study music as either a core or extension offering. Our musicians partake in a minimum of 55 minutes each day. Curriculum music classes are part of ATAR and QCE Assessment and from junior to senior develops skills in Performance, Composition and Musicology as it's three focus dimensions.

AT ALDRIDGE WE OFFER:

Year 7 Core Music
Year 7-8 Music Extension
Year 9 Music
Year 10 Music Extension
Year 11 ATAR Music
Year 12 ATAR Music
Year 7-12 Instrumental Music

WHY STUDY MUSIC / MUSIC EXTENSION?

The music program focuses on our school vision – *“Engaged students, working with expert and accountable staff in a calm, ordered and caring environment”*. To support individual needs and performance opportunities, our engaged students work with five of the most passionate teachers in Australia. From beginner to industry professional, Aldridge Music is the only choice for music in the Wide Bay. Music can be studied all YEAR LONG and is the only junior elective with this opportunity.

FACILITIES, EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE

Our tuition and program is delivered across the entire week by a number of specialist musicians and coaches. Their experience and expertise truly compliment any individual student's goals. From performing for the first time in a band (live or virtual), presenting a public solo, sitting an AMEB exam or audition, ATAR curriculum assistance, releasing an EP or looking at a career pathway in the creative industries... MUSIC at Aldridge is for you!

We currently have two recording studio rooms, a small music auditorium, Brolga Theatre stage access for our large productions and over \$30, 000 invested into regular music coaches who visit from the Queensland Conservatorium of Music.

CURRICULUM INFORMATION

Aldridge Music provides modern musicians a chance to imagine, create and inspire. Our program is passionate about developing performance skills and building upon theoretical knowledge for all future pathways. Our students learn from Industry Professionals and over the past 10 years, have created direct links with Queensland Music Universities.



EXTRA-CURRICULAR LESSONS

Students joining the extra-curricular program receive one lesson per week with a specialist teacher of the student's chosen instrument. These lessons are organised in small group settings for 45 minutes per week. All students in years 7-12 will be on a rotating timetable so they do not miss the same class every week. (Some students also utilise spares to mentor juniors)

If a student for any genuine reason such as a test or a very important lesson, is unable to attend their instrumental lesson, they must advise their instrumental music teacher or the Music Coordinator via email (see page 6). In most cases, with prior notice, an alternative lesson time can be arranged. However, if the student does not notify us in advance, it is very difficult to make alternative lesson times. If the student simply forgets to come to the lesson, there is no obligation to make up that lesson.

Students are expected to attend all lessons and bring all tutor books, music and instruments to each lesson.

WHAT ELSE?

FUN- We not only care about academic results but also look to foster positive relationships and social learnings via workshops and Concerts. These are held to showcase the talents of students in the concert band, string ensemble, stage band, small rock groups, solo vocal artists and jazz groups. Students may enrol in our Music Performance Program as a pure extracurricular pursuit- (No formal grading)

REPORTING- Students involved in the music program HAVE THE OPTION to be assessed at the end of each level or grade. A yearly report on their progress will be placed in their portfolio. These academic results appear on their take home report cards and individuals may be offered a chance to sit Australian Music Examination Board (AMEB) Exams. Students participating in the Orchestra and/or Concert Band will receive formal reporting towards their academic record.

CONNECTIONS- All students are taught by one or more trained musicians and senior students are also offered various pathways with ATAR, QCE and termly workshops with QLD Music Conservatorium Coaches.



EXTRA-Curricular TERMINATION OF LESSONS

Enrolments are expected for a minimum of one semester. Should parents decide to withdraw their child from lessons, it is necessary that notice is given to the School Administration via Music Coordinator. Cancellation of tuition must be made in writing using the **Cancellation of Enrolment Form** giving 3 weeks notice. Forms may be collected from Student Services (C3).

INSTRUMENTS

Hire Instruments:

- ♫ The school has a limited number of instruments available for hire to students at \$50 per year. Please contact Mr Hodgkinson or Mr Sue Yek for details.
- ♫ Students may be asked at any time to return the instrument for inspection/servicing
- ♫ If the instrument is damaged in any way, students are to inform the Music Coordinator and return the instrument immediately for repair.
- ♫ Students are responsible for supplying their own accessories for the instrument on hire (e.g. strings, reeds, valve oil, cleaning cloths etc)
- ♫ In order to give all students a chance to hire, these instruments will be offered to new instrumental students as a priority for their first year. After this time students may not have an instrument available to hire.



MUSIC FEES (STRINGS AND CONCERT BANDS ONLY)

Once a student wishes to receive academic recognition for their instrument, Aldridge has multiple folio and resumé options. These include report profiles, QCE points and Australian Examination Board offerings. The minimal music fees are determined in accordance with the Music Teacher's Association of Queensland guidelines and are reviewed annually. **Accounts payable to student services (C3) by 19th March each year- All Music Fees are ASSESSMENT BASED STRINGS- CONCERT BAND** as this covers sheet music, copyrights and assessment entries.

Total Annual Fees- Uniform Hire:

- ♫ \$ 45 (all students) regardless if learning one orchestral or concert band instrument

No Fees are charged for students who purely select the program for performance (non-assessment) purposes.

ALDRIDGE STATE HIGH SCHOOL CONCERT BAND

The Concert Band is for all students beginner to experienced of woodwind, brass and percussion. The Concert Band rehearses on Monday Morning (7:40am-8:35am) in the Music Room (K6). The Concert Band features modern music, film scores, gaming music and much more!! Year 7 students and beginners are eased into Concert Band via 1 month of lessons prior, to help them feel confident with their parts- We do encourage Beginners and Year 7's to sit in on ensembles as we all start somewhere, and we have heaps of mentors to guide you.



ALDRIDGE STATE HIGH SCHOOL STRINGS ENSEMBLE

The Orchestra is for all students, beginner to experienced, of violin, viola, cello and double bass. The Orchestra rehearses on Friday Morning (7:40am-8:35am) in the Music Room (K6). The Orchestra also features modern music, Celtic/folk Music, film scores, gaming music and much more!! Mr David Sue Yek is an experienced and passionate teacher that runs the program and is supported by Ms Zorbas as a strings specialist.

ALDRIDGE STATE HIGH SCHOOL STAGE BAND

Selected students from Years 7 - 12 learning Trumpet, Trombone, Saxophone, Guitar, Percussion, may be selected to be part of the Aldridge Stage Band. The Stage Band learns and performs challenging repertoire and receives specialist coaching from QLD Conservatorium Guests from the Jazz/Rock Department. The Stage Band rehearses Monday After School from 3:00pm to 4:30pm in the music room.

ALDRIDGE STATE HIGH SCHOOL VOCAL GROUP/S

All students from Year 7 upwards have the amazing opportunity for vocal lessons and to eventually join the school's vocal group/s. Rather than a choir setting, we LET THE STUDENTS select the songs and workshop our small groups based on their interest and ability. Whether it be a desire to perform live, or have you sing in the comfort of our classroom... If you love singing you should come and join our FREE and supportive groups! Our vocal groups perform with live bands, backing tracks and individual instruments- All voice ranges needed!!- (Male and Female)

♪ See Mr Hodgo, Mrs Little and Ms Burstow for set groupings

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ATTENDANCE POLICY

Becoming a member of any school group, team or ensemble (large or small), requires students to be committed for ideally the **whole year**. We love putting on productions and we would love massive numbers taking part.

- ♪ Students **must** attend all rehearsals, performances and concerts unless a valid medical reason is given by a parent or caregiver to the conductor.
- ♪ Parents will be contacted if students fail to attend more than 2 rehearsals without prior notification.
- ♪ 7-12 students who have part time jobs must make arrangements with employers so that work and rehearsals, performances, concerts do not clash.
- ♪ Clashes with school sports training are usually resolved with liaison between music and sport coaches.
- ♪ Notices of major performances are marked in the school calendar and information letters on upcoming performances will be sent home and advertised on the school Facebook page.



CONTACT DETAILS

For general enquires please contact the Music Coordinator, Mr Adam Hodgkinson (“Hodgo”), on 4120 8409 or email ahodg36@eq.edu.au .

For enquires regarding lessons and payments, please contact the appropriate teacher listed below:

TUTOR	SPECIALISATION	ON SITE DAYS
Mr Adam “Hodgo” Hodgkinson ahodg36@eq.edu.au	All curriculum and general enquiries (Concert Band & Stage Band)	Mon- Fri 7:00am-3:30pm
Mr David Sue Yek dwsue0@eq.edu.au	All Strings and Orchestra enquiries Violin, Viola, Cello and Double Bass	Friday 8:30am-12pm
Mrs Jenna Little Jbwon0@eq.edu.au	All Vocals and Vocal Groups	Monday – Friday 8:00am – 3:00pm
Mr Evan Osborne Evan.osborne16@gmail.com	Guitar and Bass Guitar	Set Visits Per Term- Monday
Miss Meg Burstow megburstow@gmail.com	Piano and Solo Voice	Set Visits Per Term- Monday
Ms Claudia Zorbas czorbas@hotmail.com	Solo String Tuition	Wednesday 8:00am- 2:00pm

Times and days are correct at the time of printing. If changes occur, students and parents will be notified.

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ENROLMENT AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS



Aldridge SHS Music Enrolment Form

Student Name: _____ Class: _____

Caregiver's Name: _____

Address and Postcode: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work/Mobile: _____

Email Address: _____

Are you a continuing student from Primary School? Yes / No

Previous School: _____

(PLEASE INDICATE WHICH INSTRUMENT/S): _____

(PLEASE INDICATE PURSUIT PREFERENCE): Curriculum Music

Extra-Curricular Music

Both Curriculum and Extra-Curricular

My child requires the use of a school hire instrument? Yes / No

Any further information you wish to share:

WE CONFIRM WE HAVE READ THE ALDRIDGE SHS MUSIC HANDBOOK AND UNDERSTAND THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE PROGRAM'S OFFERS. WE AGREE TO ABIDE THE GUIDELINES AS SET.

Caregiver / Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please complete and return this form to the School Office.



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