

Sunshine Beach State High School

Music Excellence Program



Application

The Music Excellence Program at Sunshine Beach SHS demonstrates “Music Theory into BEST practice”. An integrated approach incorporating both Classroom and Instrumental music, the Music Excellence Program focuses on academic excellence through extension studies in music theory, combined with performance excellence through participation in our range of instrumental ensembles.

For musical students in Years 7 and 8, Sunshine Beach SHS offers the opportunity to be part of a Music Extension class, designed to encourage the pursuit of excellence in music. Students in this class study Music Extension as a core subject throughout years 7 and 8 (students in mainstream study music for only one term in year 8) and then as an elective subject in Year 9 and 10. They also undertake more advanced performing and classroom music activities, including completing AMEB Theory. Students are eligible for membership in school ensembles, depending on instrument (Concert Band, Stage Band, String Ensemble, Percussion Ensemble and/or Choir) and standard of ability.

Who should apply:

- Students who are involved in primary school instrumental programs (and play a woodwind, brass, percussion or orchestral stringed instrument), and/or
- Students who have private music lessons (e.g piano, guitar), and/or
- Students who are involved in musical theatre or choral programs

Applications:

- To apply to be part of this program, prospective parents / students complete the attached application form to register for an audition / interview time. Forms are to be sent to Attn: HOD Performing Arts, Sunshine Beach SHS, 45 Ben Lexcen Dr, Sunshine Beach Qld 4567. For consideration in the first round, these forms must be received no later than May 28 2027.
- Students participate in a short audition/interview with the Head of Music. Auditions are held in the Music Block at SBSHS. NOTE: the performance component of the audition will be videorecorded to assist with decision-making. Offers for positions in the class are made throughout the year and may depend on factors including performance ability, academic rigour, and the needs of the music program to create balanced ensembles.

Auditions: Main round and scholarships July 19th to 30th. Application forms for this round are due no later than May 28th.

Further information about audition requirements can be found at <https://sunshinebeachhigh.eq.edu.au/curriculum/music/years-7-10-music-excellence-class>

For further information please contact: Mr Jordan Buma (A/Head of Department), jbuma0@eq.edu.au



High Distinction and Honours in Grade 1 AMEB Theory



Sunshine Beach SHS Music Excellence Program (Yr 7) In-Catchment Application 2028

Please attach a photo of the applicant here.
This is optional, however a photo will make
it easier for us to remember each student at
decision time after the auditions

STUDENT PERSONAL DETAILS

Student Name: _____

Current School Attended: _____

PARENT / CARER DETAILS

Name: _____

Address: _____

Mobile Phone: _____

Email address: _____

DETAILS OF INSTRUMENT(S) PLAYED:

Instrument/Voice	Years of Tuition	Current Teacher's Name	AMEB Grade or I.M Level

If you have listed more than one instrument, one which will you be auditioning?

Do you own your instrument or would you need to hire one from Sunshine Beach SHS for the first year?

What ensembles (for example: concert band, orchestra, choir) are you currently involved in?

WHY DO YOU WISH TO BE CONSIDERED FOR ENROLMENT IN THE MUSIC EXCELLENCE PROGRAM?

(to be completed by the student)

BY SUBMITTING THIS APPLICATION YOU ARE ACKNOWLEDGING THE FOLLOWING: (please tick)

	Parent/Carer	Student
• The Sunshine Beach SHS Music Extension class has a strong focus on academic excellence, including the extension study of music theory	☐	☐
• The Sunshine Beach SHS Music Extension class has a strong focus on performance excellence through the school band, orchestral and choral programs. While we do study a range of music styles, contemporary music is not the focus of this program.	☐	☐
• Acceptance into the Music Extension class is at the discretion of the Head of Department.	☐	☐
• Students in the Sunshine Beach Music Excellence Program are expected to maintain good academic standing (being up to date with all assessment, and catching up on any class work missed due to music lessons).	☐	☐
• Students accepted into the Music Excellence Program commit to a minimum of one year's involvement, irrespective of year level. Students in Year 7 or 8 who choose to discontinue their involvement in Instrumental or vocal lessons and ensemble will be required to transfer into a general class.	☐	☐
• All students in the Music Extension class (year 7 to 8) must be a member of one of the school's music ensembles once they reach the required minimum standard. Pianists are often invited to join one of the percussion ensembles, or may also choose to learn another instrument or join the vocal program.	☐	☐

**** A copy of your most recent school report must be attached in order for this form to be processed.**

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

Return form to Jordan Buma, Sunshine Beach SHS, 45 Ben Lexcen Drive, Sunshine Beach 4567, or via email to jbuma0@eq.edu.au



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