

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 April 19.
- 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 May 1 to 10. Application forms for this round are due no later than April 19. 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: Miss Katherine Brandt (A/Head of Department), kbran94@eq.edu.au



High Distinction and Honours in Grade 1 AMEB Theory





Sunshine Beach SHS Music

Excellence Program &

Music Scholarship (Yr 7)

In-Catchment Application 2025

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: _____

School Grade in 2024: _____

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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Student <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• The Sunshine Beach SHS Music Extension class has a strong focus on academic excellence, including the extension study of music theory.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• 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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Acceptance into the Music Extension class is at the discretion of the Head of Department.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• 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).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• 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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• 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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**** 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 Katherine Brandt, Sunshine Beach SHS, 45 Ben Lexcen Drive, Sunshine Beach 4567, or via email to kbran94@eq.edu.au



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