

Music Auditions

Year 7, 2020 Enrolment

BRISBANE
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HIGH
SCHOOL



Brisbane State High School has a strong tradition of excellence in the Performing Arts, in particular Instrumental Music. Students who join the Instrumental Music Program must play concert band or orchestral instrument and are offered the opportunity to experience a variety of musical styles across a range of performance events.

The school's enrolment management plan allows for selective entry in a number of categories. Specific details about the categories, selection processes and timelines for applications can be found on the school website www.statehigh.com.au.

All persons interested in enrolment should read the relevant information.

Students who enrol under the music merit category (instrumental music only, not including piano or guitar) are required to join the instrumental classes. This includes group lessons which are held in school time (Brass, Woodwind, Strings, Percussion) from Year 7 through to Year 10 and in ensemble through to Year 12.

From year to year the need for specific instruments for inclusion in the school program may vary, depending on existing music enrolments and the balance of instruments within ensembles. The school therefore has absolute discretionary power to determine in which musical activities, and to which students in a particular activity, it has the capacity to offer assistance and support.

Students applying for entry into Year 7 2020 must have achieved a minimum standard equivalent to:

AMEB Grade 6 for violin

AMEB Grade 5 for flute

AMEB Grade 4 for most other instruments.

Percussion applications are for orchestral percussion. Applications on Drum Kit alone will not be considered.

Horn, Tuba, Double Bass may be considered at a lower level.

In cases where a student has not completed AMEB examinations, the student may submit a reference from a registered and practising Education Queensland Instrumental Music Teacher stipulating that the student is playing at the specified AMEB level.

Procedures for students wishing to audition:

1. Obtain and complete a Prospective Student Enrolment Application and the Music Audition Registration Form - available on the school website.
2. Lodge the Prospective Student Enrolment Application (with required documentation) **and the** Audition Registration Form. Ensure copies of Year 5 School Reports for Semesters 1 & 2 and Year 6 School reports are included.
3. Closing date for Instrumental Music applications – **Friday 16 July 2019**. Applications received after this date will not be considered.
4. The Selective Entry application fee must be paid on lodgement of these forms.
5. **The auditions for students applying for Woodwind, Brass and Percussion instruments** will be conducted on Thursday 1 August 2019. **String instruments** will be conducted on Friday 2 August 2019 in the BSHS Performing Arts Centre (PAC).

Parents will be advised by post or email of the specific time of their child's audition once all registrations have been received.

Audition requirements

Students are required to prepare two contrasting works in full. These works should be selected to demonstrate the applicant's technical and musical proficiency. The pieces selected should be at a level at least equivalent to the minimum standards outlined above. Musicians should also be prepared to demonstrate technical work (Scales, arpeggios etc. appropriate to the minimum standards outlined above). Sight reading will also be included in the audition process.

Percussion applicants should be prepared to play on Mallet Percussion, Untuned percussion and Timpani.

Percussion instruments will be provided for prospective applicants. All other musicians are required to provide their own instrument for audition.

Post Audition

Parents/students will be notified in writing in regards to the success of their application.

Students **must have** school reports that reflect an ability to cope with the academic demands of the BSHS curriculum and above average behaviour reports.

Note: Brisbane State High School does not offer music scholarships. All students who are enrolled into the school under music merit are required to pay all normal school fees and other charges associated with participation in co-curricular activities.

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