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PERTH MODERN SCHOOL MUSIC PROGRAM

MUSIC PROGRAM SELECTION AND AUDITION PROCESS

Enthusiasm for Music

The Music Program is a busy one and it is important that students commit themselves to participate fully in the program, including additional out of school rehearsals and performances. The willingness on the part of the student is an important consideration during the entire selection process.

Capacity to cope with the Program

It is important the students are able to cope with the requirements of the Music Program, and are not subject to demands which are beyond their capacity to meet without undue stress.

All students who learn an instrument are required to be a part of a choir and a relevant instrumental ensemble.

Audition and Interview

The **Audition** will comprise of an informal interview and performance, taking in total about **15 minutes**.

Students will be required to perform **two contrasting pieces** unaccompanied on their chosen instrument or instruments. A short aural test and some singing will be required.

Students who play more than one instrument may audition on a maximum of two instruments, including piano. They can choose one instrument to learn through the IMSS program but can learn the other instruments privately. Piano is not offered at School. They will be placed in ensembles and orchestras according to their IMSS instrument but can apply to be in additional ensembles or orchestras on the instrument they learn privately.

Students should bring any relevant school/instrumental reports and references to the audition.

Students who do not currently learn an instrument are asked to prepare two simple songs, for example, "Advance Australia Fair" and one other.

Available Equipment

Piano (not keyboard – unless advised previously)

Guitar Amps (not leads)

Percussion Equipment (including drum kit)

Double Bass

Music Stands

Dates and Times for Auditions

You will be advised your audition time in the week beginning Monday 3 August. These audition times will be allocated based on the preferences in your application form and will have the instrumental specialist in attendance.

Auditions will occur in the weeks beginning 17 and 24 August, and will be between 9am and 3:30pm.

If for any reason you are unable to attend the time allocated please contact

PerthModernSchool.Music@education.wa.edu.au and we will endeavour to accommodate you at a time convenient to both parties.



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Country, Interstate and Overseas Applicants

We appreciate that you may not be able to attend an audition during the specified period. Alternative arrangements can be made for your audition at a time suitable to both parties. This can be later in the year when you are visiting Perth or during the first two weeks at the beginning of 2021. Your child will in no way be disadvantaged.

Music Auditions

If your child intends to participate in the Instrumental Music Program an audition is required.

Who needs to Audition –

- No auditions - for students currently learning through IMSS and continuing with the same instrument, but the latest IMSS report must be enclosed
- No auditions – for students currently learning privately who wish to continue with private lessons, but who would like to be involved in the Ensembles. Application form must be completed.
- Auditions required - IMSS students wishing to change instruments / students studying privately or at non-government schools who wish to learn through IMSS
- Auditions required – students not currently learning an instrument

Instrumental Music School Services Program –

- Students can only choose one instrument to learn through the IMSS program but can learn other instruments privately
- Classes are generally for three or four students in a group lesson
- Student will leave timetabled classes in order to participate in lessons. The instrumental lesson times will rotate each week to cause minimal interruption to class work. You will receive an email with your Surname/Login + PIN/Password or just click on the link provided

All Year 7 students for 2021 are invited to attend a Music Concert on 11 August at 2pm. This concert will feature many of the instruments that are available for new students to learn being played by our Senior students, as well as showcasing the Senior Ensembles.

Please direct your queries regarding the music program or audition process/requirements to Philippa.Roy@education.wa.edu.au or view the Perth Modern School Information Handbook <https://www.perthmodern.wa.edu.au/handbook/> or visit <http://www.perthmodern.wa.edu.au/> to view our Curriculum Handbooks.