



# Year 7 Band Scholarship - 2024 Information Sheet

1. As part of their normal school curriculum, all Year 7 students will study the music elective course for one term, this does not include instrumental lessons.

However, the College will provide a rehearsal opportunity on Thursday afternoons from 3:30 to 4:30 pm for a Year 7 Band. All students are encouraged to avail themselves of this opportunity. **Please note that prior musical experience is NOT necessary.**

As part of the Year 7 Band Program, students will receive a joint instrumental lesson which will be on a rotational timetable during school hours and available at a subsidised cost from our highly experienced instrumental tutors. **Commitment to this scholarship program is for two years.**

2. On the receipt of this application form, the College will contact you to arrange an interview/audition and allocate places in the Year 7 Band.
3. The Director of Music will decide which instrument is to be learnt, according to the needs of the College, the student's preferences and experience (if any).
4. The College employs professional instrumental teachers for the instrumental lessons. Lessons are 30 minutes in duration and take place during the school day with students leaving class at a different time each week.

It is the responsibility of the student to attend each lesson at the appointed time. During each term there will be allowances made for only ONE lesson to be made up if a student is unable to attend any lesson at the appointed time. A lesson will be deemed to be forfeited unless one week's notice is given of inability to attend a lesson.

5. Instruments are available for hire from the College at a rate of \$150 per annum. Instruments available for hire are: Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinet, Saxophone, French Horn, Trumpet, Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba and Double Bass. All percussion instruments and pianos are located at the College and supplied for all lessons and ensembles.
6. Each scholarship student will receive 32 lessons per year in a joint lesson. The College will subsidise half the cost of each lesson, with the remainder divided between the two students. Lesson fees for 2023 will be \$35 for a 30 minute joint instrumental lesson. Therefore, each lesson will cost \$8.75 per student\*.

Payment for lessons will be added to College fees at the commencement of each year with an administration fee. There is also a Year 7 Ensemble/Instrumental Fee of \$100.

7. The student is required to own a Music Record Book provided by the College which will allow parents to check weekly progress and daily practise requirements.

This book is included in the Year 7 Ensemble/Instrumental Fee added to College fees and will be given to the student by the Director of Music at the commencement of Term 1, 2023.

8. In addition to the Music Record Book, students will be supplied with a Band Method Book (Essential Elements) also included in the Year 7 Ensemble/Instrumental Fee which will be added to College fees.



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The individual tutors, however, may require additional texts, which can be ordered through local music stores or online. Please note positions may be available to students who either receive instrumental tuition outside of the College or enrol in the Music tuition program, however, instrument hire availability may vary.

9. It is required that students who undertake this programme will dedicate at least 2 years to instrumental lessons and ensembles with continuation dependent on satisfactory results over the set period. Upon completion of Year 7, students WILL be required to enrol in the Year 8 Music Allegro course.

This year long course incorporates band rehearsals during class time. **Please note the commitment to the programme is for 2 years.** If a student withdraws from the program, which is granted at the discretion of the Principal, full payment of the program fees will be required.

10. At the completion of Year 8, the College encourages students in the Year 8 Band to continue their participation in the Music Program offered from Years 9 - 12. Similar to Year 8, Band classes continue for Years 9 and 10.

In Years 11 and 12, the College offers Certificate II and III courses in music. Entry into the College Concert Band requires enrolment in Music Classes up to and including Year 10 and instrumental lessons to the end of Year 12.

11. Students in Years 9 - 12 are expected to join the College Concert Band, other selected specialist ensembles and/or College Choir depending on their choice of instrument. Rehearsals for these ensembles are usually held before and after school on selected days, however, ensembles may rehearse at other times if necessary. Camps, domestic and international tours are made available to students of these ensembles.
12. If you have any questions about the Music Program please do not hesitate to contact the Director of Music on (08) 9274 6266 or via email [Samantha.ashman@cewa.edu.au](mailto:Samantha.ashman@cewa.edu.au)

*\*Please note that Oboe, Bassoon, Piano, Bass Guitar and Percussion are not shared scholarships and therefore lessons will cost \$17.50 each.*

If you wish for your child to be considered for the Year 7 Band, please complete the Year 7 Band Scholarship Application form and return it to the College (marked to the attention of Ms Samantha Ashman) no later than **Friday, 3 November 2023**.

Interviews / auditions will be conducted to allocate places in the Year 7 Band. On receipt of this application, you will be sent a link to sign up for a compulsory interview/information session. These sessions will take place during college hours on Monday 6, Tuesday 7 or Wednesday 8 of November 2023.