



Welcome to Cleveland District State High School Instrumental Music Program 2024

Welcome to new and continuing students. We would like to welcome our Year 7 students and parents to our program. A 2024 handbook will follow shortly.

Returning students from year 8-12:

Based on last year's performance/attendance students will be placed into ensembles according to their instrument and level of instruction. Some students will be unsure about continuing with music, which is quite a normal reaction after a break, when everything seems a little overwhelming. We believe that being in the program is enormously beneficial to your student's schooling, which has been demonstrated by some of our best results each year coming from students who also study Instrumental Music.

Once we are in a routine this usually passes, so please persist and encourage them to attend their lessons and rehearsals. Ensemble lists and times were sent as an email last year. We will place a list up on the Performing Arts notice board upon return.

All Year 7-12 students

Week 2 (Mon 29th Jan) Teachers will try and see all students regarding this year's instrumental music timetables. Draft timetables and ensemble lists for term 1 will be on the noticeboard at Performing Arts and will be emailed home by their teacher. If your student's name is not on any of the lists or if there is a query, please contact Mr Purnell via email (spurn1@eq.edu.au).

LOAN INSTRUMENTS – Please see your teacher or MR Purnell ASAP when we return.

All Instrumental Music students will have a lesson with one of our instrumental staff.

- **Mr Higgins – Percussion (Thursday)** ahigg3@eq.edu.au
- **Ms Slater – Strings (Wednesday / Thursday)** aslat50@eq.edu.au
- **Ms Cleary - Woodwind, (Tuesday and Friday)** tclea49@eq.edu.au
- **Ms Wolfe - Woodwind, (Monday)** jwolf4@eq.edu.au
- **Mr Purnell - Brass, Woodwind, percussion (Monday Tuesday Wednesday and Friday)**
spurn1@eq.edu.au

All lessons and Ensembles will resume in week 3 (from Mon 5th Feb)

(Please note - **Jazz Collective** will have the Badge presentation performance week 4 atm).

Education Queensland provides free lessons for Brass, Percussion, Strings and Woodwind instruments. **All students will need to attend a period IM lesson and an Ensemble before or after school.**

Students are welcome to join the Junior Choir (7-9) or Senior Choir (10-12) at any time; choir rehearsals will commence during week 4 of the term.

If interested in choir, please contact Mrs Purnell (Senior) rmcdo6@eq.edu.au and Mrs McDuff- (Junior) McDuffl@eq.edu.au.

2024 REHEARSAL TIMES

ENSEMBLE/ GROUP	DAY	TIME	Venue	DIRECTOR
CONCERT BAND (Junior)	Monday	2.45-4pm	Performance Space	Ms Wolfe Jwolf4@eq.edu.au
SYMPHONIC BAND (Intermediate)	Tuesday	2.50-4:30pm	Performance Space	Ms Cleary tclea49@eq.edu.au
WIND ENSEMBLE (Senior)	Wednesday	2.50– 4.45pm	Performance Space	Mr Purnell spurn1@eq.edu.au
JAZZ COLLECTIVE (Senior)	Tuesday & Wednesday mornings	7:30-8:35am	Performance Space - Vocalists only Wednesdays	Mr Purnell spurn1@eq.edu.au
JUNIOR CHOIR (YRS. 7-9)	Thursday	7:45-8:35am	P1	Mrs McDuff mcduffl@eq.edu.au
PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE	Thursday morning	7:20-8:35am	Performance Space	Mr Higgins ahigg3@eq.edu.au
JUNIOR PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE	Thursday afternoon	2.50-4:00pm	Performance Space	Mr Higgins ahigg3@eq.edu.au
SENIOR STRING ENSEMBLE	Wednesday	7:30-8:35am	Drama Space	Mrs Slater
JUNIOR STRING ENSEMBLE (7-9)	Thursday afternoon	2.50-3:45pm	Drama Space	Mrs Slater aslat50@eq.edu.au
SENIOR CHOIR (YRS. 10-12)	Thursday morning	7:30-8:35am	Performance Space	Mrs Purnell rmcdo6@eq.edu.au
JAZZ ORCHESTRA (Intermediate)	Friday afternoon	2.50-4:15pm	Performance Space	Ms Cleary
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Resource Fee

The Instrumental Music Department at Cleveland District High school has developed into a leader in music education and has a proud history of excellence. Your student will experience the very best in teaching and learning, equipment and facilities, and will be involved in a wide variety of performances. Instrumental music is fun, engaging and has been proven to be highly beneficial for brain development and academic success.

A \$100 fee is required for the year and **will be invoiced to parents early in the year (please do not pay until invoiced)**. This is consistent with the Student Resource Scheme. **If your student chooses to leave the program at any stage in a semester, you will not be eligible for a refund for that semester, but any future semesters can be refunded if applicable.** This is because funds have been committed and resources purchased by the Department. This policy encourages your student to see out the semester, as the performances traditionally happen at the end of this period, and this is the major highlight for our students and is the greatest reward for their efforts. If your student does decide to leave the program, parents will need to communicate this in writing to the relevant teacher.

The fee assists with the cost of resources required for the Instrumental Music Program.

- Purchasing of ensemble and lesson repertoire (one piece costs between \$60-\$300)
- Maintenance and use of music stands, music practice rooms, technical equipment (amps, tv's, lights, computers etc), Maintenance of larger more expensive school owned instruments (eg tuba –\$8500, baritone sax \$7000, set of timpani \$20000)
- Purchase of larger expensive school instruments to keep up with the demand of enrolment.
- Smart music access for lessons, ensemble and from next year private practice at school.
- Cost of hiring of trucks and buses to performances and camps.
- Subsidy of camp and ensemble workshop costs.
- Photocopying costs for ensemble and lessons.
- Computers to run SmartMusic for individual use at lunch times and in spares.
- Entry fees to festivals and competitions (sometimes \$120 per ensemble)
- PA hire and technician fees for concerts.
- Concert fees for showcase concerts
- Purchase of furniture (Music cabinets, chair and stools etc).

Links

SmartMusic –For a wonderful tool for home practice please view the link to SmartMusic - <http://www.SmartMusic.com/>. Binary Music in Cleveland can help with the purchase of SmartMusic registration. Year 11 and 12 students will have access to SmartMusic this year during school time.

Some great advice for parents.

<http://www.nafme.org/3-things-parents-must-tell-their-children-when-they-begin-a-musical-instrument/>

<http://www.musicparentsguide.com/2015/02/17/students-really-quit-musical-instrument-parents-can-prevent/>

Creative Arts Support Team (CAST)

This is a group of parents, teachers and friends who work together as a support group for Creative Arts.

CAST receives emails from Mr Watson (Head of Department) at key junctures, usually our larger events, and offer invaluable assistance at these events.

Senior Students y11/12

Instrumental Music as a QCAA Recognised Study Advice to Schools and Teachers

The Department's Instrumental Music curriculum has been approved as a QCAA Recognised Subject, allowing year 11-12 students to obtain 1 QCE credit point when completing each of levels 7-10 of the curriculum. The conditions around which students may access these points are as follows:

Time requirements: weekly contact time required for this program includes 1 x 1hr ensemble rehearsal and 1 x 30-35min group lesson, as well as regular home practice. Each level will comprise of a minimum of 55 contact hours across 37 weeks. No different from what you are already doing.

Date Claimer 2024 (MUSIC)

This may change through the year.

Dates to be confirmed,

Term 1, Week 4, Wednesday 14 February – Badge Ceremony – Jazz collective and Senior Choir

Term 1, Week 9, Friday 22 March – Combined Music/MUX Concert

Term 2, Week 2, Wednesday 24 April – ANZAC Ceremony – Senior Strings / Choir

Term 2, Week 6, Sunday 26 May – Concert on the Green – All ensembles

Term 2, Week 7, Friday 31 May – FANFARE @ PBC (plus other FANFARE dates TBC) All ensembles

Term 2, Week 9, Wednesday 12 June – FANFARE final (if through)

Term 3, Week 2 - Creative Generation

Term 3, Week 4 – Arts Immersion Week

Term 3, Week 5, Friday 9 August – MUX Concert

Term 3, Week 10, Monday 9 September - FAMED

Term 4, Week 3, Thursday 17 October – Dance Fusion

Term 4, Week 3, Friday 18 October – Music Showcase - All ensembles

Term 4, Week 5, Sunday 3 November – Jazz Under the Stars – Jazz bands/Choirs

Term 4, Week 7 – Awards and Graduation - All ensembles

Creative Generation - See Mr Purnell for information

Shep (More info to come)

- Years 7-10 AMEB level 2-4 – Mond 31st May – 2nd June
- Years 7-12 AMEB 4-6 – July 5th – 7th
- Years 7-12 AMEB 4+ - Sept 26-29th
- AHEP – years 9-12 AMEB 6+ Sept 25-28th