

SPECIALIST MUSIC PROGRAM

YEAR 7 2027

Ellenbrook Secondary College offers a Department of Education-approved Specialist Music Program. The Specialist Music Program supports both beginners and continuing music students, helping them develop skills in performance, music literacy, analysis, and composition.

Many of our graduates go on to study at the Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts (WAAPA) and the UWA Conservatorium of Music.

What we offer

- Instrumental and voice tuition in a variety of styles
- Expert teachers from the Instrumental Music School Services (IMSS).
- Collaboration with local primary schools, ensemble participation, performances, and community events.
- Both Certificate and ATAR Music pathways in Years 11 and 12 as well as endorsed Performance Instrumental Music (PIMS) program.

Program expectations

- It is an expectation that students will commit to the specialist music program from Years 7 to 10. This means students will also participate in classroom music in addition to instrumental lessons, and it will be included as one of their electives in Years 9 and 10.
- Require regular attendance in instrumental lessons and at least one ensemble.
- Withdrawal from the program must be discussed with the teacher in charge, and a withdrawal form completed – preferably at the end of the year.

Who can apply?

There are 3 ways to be eligible for Music at Ellenbrook SC:

- continue your IMSS instrument from your previous (WA Government) school
- continue your privately taught instrument with tuition outside of school
- Participate in the IMSS Beginner Program after successful attendance at an aural test.

**Aural
test**

APPLICATION

To apply, students must:

- Submit a Specialist Music Application Form.
- Complete an Application for Enrolment.
- If not currently enrolled in IMSS, attend an aural test on Wednesday 19 August OR 26 August 2026. Booking must be done on www.compasstix.com

Note: Students will receive notification of acceptance in Term 4 2026.

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Specialist Music Program Year 7 2027

Applications due by Friday 24 July 2026

Ellenbrook Secondary College is pleased to offer incoming Year 7 students the opportunity to be part of our Specialist Music Program, delivered in partnership with Instrumental Music School Services (IMSS).

This program provides students with the opportunity to learn a musical instrument while developing their musical skills, appreciation, and self-expression. It is designed for students who are enthusiastic about music and who wish to extend themselves both creatively and academically within a supportive school environment.

Through their involvement in the program, students are encouraged to build skills in performance, music literacy, analysis, and composition. They can also participate in a wide range of school ensembles, concerts, community performances and collaborative events, which help enrich their overall school experience and strengthen their connection to the wider community.

The Specialist Music Program aims to nurture students' musical talent while supporting their personal growth as young musicians. It encourages creativity, confidence and discipline, while also developing important life skills such as teamwork, focus, resilience and critical thinking. Students are supported to express themselves musically and to achieve their personal best in a positive and engaging learning environment.

Learning a musical instrument provides students with many additional benefits. These include increased self-esteem, emotional maturity, and a sense of achievement. Students also develop perseverance, problem-solving skills, and cognitive abilities that support academic success across all learning areas. Participation in ensembles and performances further builds confidence and encourages collaboration, while also strengthening students' connection to the school community.

At Ellenbrook Secondary College, we are proud to offer a comprehensive music program that includes:

- Instrumental and vocal tuition across a range of styles
- Specialist instruction from IMSS teachers
- Ensemble participation, performances and community events
- Collaboration with local primary schools
- Senior school pathways including Certificate Music, ATAR Music, and PIMS endorsed programs

Students who are accepted into the Specialist Music Program are expected to make a commitment from Years 7 to 10. This includes participation in instrumental lessons, enrolment in classroom music, selection of music as an elective in Years 9 and 10, regular attendance at lessons, and involvement in at least one ensemble.

Students may enter the program through several pathways, including:

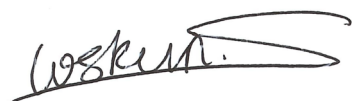
- continuing their IMSS instrument from a previous WA Government school.
(Students with prior experience in another instrument may apply to change instruments, subject to an audition with an IMSS teacher.)
- continuing private instrumental tuition OR
- applying for the IMSS Beginner Program and completing an aural test.

To apply for the program, families are required to submit the Application for Specialist Music Program 2027 and Ellenbrook Secondary College Application for Enrolment. If not currently enrolled in IMSS, students will also need to attend an aural test in Term 3 (Weeks 5–6) on the scheduled dates.

We look forward to welcoming students who are passionate about music and eager to grow their skills as part of our vibrant music community.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Kind regards,



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25 May 2026

Year 7 2027 Specialist Music Aural Test

Please scan QR Code to make booking OR
logon to www.compasstix.com → Ellenbrook Secondary College

Please select one of the following 30-minute testing sessions

Wednesday 19 August 2026

2:00 pm | 2:30 pm | 3:00 pm | 3:30 pm

Wednesday 26 August 2026

2:00 pm | 2:30 pm | 3:00 pm | 3:30 pm



Application – Specialist Music Program Year 7 2027

Student Name	
Primary School	
Parent/Carer full name	
Contact number	
Parent Email	

Instruments offered to students continuing from primary school		Instruments offered to beginner music students in Year 7	
Cello	Percussion/Drumkit	Bassoon	Oboe
Clarinet	Trombone	Electric Base	Percussion/Drumkit
Classical Guitar	Trumpet	Electric Guitar	Saxophone
Double Bass	Viola	French Horn	Voice
Flute	Violin		

Please tick a box that relates to your child's instrumental pathway

☐	My child is continuing from primary school (IMSS student) - Instrument currently learning in primary school _____ - Interested in changing instrument ☐ YES ☐ NO - If YES, please select 3 preferences from the beginner instrument list (<i>refer to the table above</i>) _____ _____ _____
☐	My child will continue private tuition only for instrumental lessons
☐	My child will be a beginner in Year 7 - Please select 3 preferences from the beginner instrument list (<i>refer to the table above</i>) _____ _____ _____

I/We have read and understand the conditions of application for the Ellenbrook Secondary College Specialist Music Program and agree to our child's participation in the audition and selection process.

Parent/Carer Signature	
Date	

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED ALONG WITH ANY ATTACHED DOCUMENTS

Applications for non-IMSS students will not be considered without attendance at one of the aural test sessions.

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