

# INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM

## Application Form Year 7 2023



**AVELEY**  
SECONDARY COLLEGE

Dear Parent or Caregiver,

Aveley Secondary College offers an Instrumental Music program with the Instrumental Music School Services. Instrumental Music offers students opportunities to develop musical skills, appreciation and expression, as well as opportunities for diverse community involvement.

There is a limited number of places in the Instrumental Music program. Students who apply are selected based on the results of an aptitude test, interest in learning a musical instrument, parent commitment and support and physical suitability to play their selected musical instrument.

Research shows there are many benefits to learning a musical instrument, including helping children develop and mature as well as improve their self-esteem and respect for others. Music may also help children in other areas of school as they develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills. It brings a balance to the curriculum.

The specialist instrumental teachers are qualified musicians and registered teachers. There are approximately 260 full-time and part-time teachers, many of whom had their first lessons in the instrumental music program. A number of teachers have achieved postgraduate qualifications. Some also play professionally around Perth and many participate in or direct community-based ensembles in their spare time.

To ensure all parents have a thorough knowledge and understanding of the program and its operation at Aveley Secondary College, we will be holding an information and aptitude testing night on **Friday 16 September 2022 at 3pm**. You will have the opportunity to ask questions and your child will sit the aptitude test to give us a direction of the best instrument for their success.

Attached to this letter is an Instrumental Music Program Application Form. Please complete this document and return it to the College before **Friday 9 September 2022**.

We hope to see you and your child at the information and testing night which will be located in the Music room.

Kind regards

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Name:			
Address:			
Date of Birth:		Current School:	
<p>Only students who live in the school's local intake area will be able to enrol in the Instrumental Music Program.</p> <p>This program is for students who wish to continue in the IMSS (Instrumental Music School Services) program or for students who want to start beginner lessons in an instrument.</p> <p>Beginner students can choose from the following instruments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Voice/singing</li><li>• Bass Guitar</li><li>• Electric Guitar</li><li>• Percussion (Drum kit and Marimba)</li><li>• Saxophone</li></ul> <p>Current brass (trumpet and trombone) and woodwind (clarinet and flute) students can choose to continue these instruments in Year 7 without sitting the music aptitude test. Students are only able to sit the testing once in Year 6.</p> <p>Please email this completed Application Form along with the following attachments to: Aveley.SC.GeneralEnquiries@education.wa.edu.au or contact 6296 1000 by <b>Friday 9 September 2022</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Copy of most recent NAPLAN results.</li><li>• Copy of Semester 1 2022 school report.</li></ul> <p>Applicants accepted for testing will receive written notification confirming the testing day arrangements by <b>Monday 12 September 2022</b>. Please contact the College if you have not received an email by this date.</p>			
Musical instrument: First preference		Second preference:	
Please indicate if you own a particular instrument already:			
Are you already in the IMMS program?			
Parent/Guardian name:			
Contact number:		Email address:	

### Important Dates

**Applications Close: Friday 9 September 2022.**

**Testing Date and Parent Information Evening: 3pm Friday 16 September 2022**