

**INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC at WHSC  
PRELIMINARY EXPRESSION OF INTEREST  
BAND and STRINGS**

**Welcome** to the Whites Hill State College instrumental music program.

The WHSC band program (woodwind, brass and percussion) is open to students enrolled in Year 4 to Year 12. The WHSC strings program (violin, viola, cello, double bass) is open to students enrolled in Year 3 to Year 12.

The program is a curriculum based instrumental program supported by the Queensland State Government. Instrumental teachers are employed by a regional district instrumental office and allocated to schools.

Instrumental music lessons at WHSC take place during school hours, with ensemble rehearsals taking place before school. The lesson times rotate throughout the day so students do not miss the same class each week.

Instruments are available for loan, in the first year of lessons, to assist parents with the costs involved in purchasing instruments. Some larger instruments, such as bass clarinet, euphonium, tuba, double bass and full-size cello are available for extended loan but most students will need to purchase an instrument to continue in their second year of tuition.

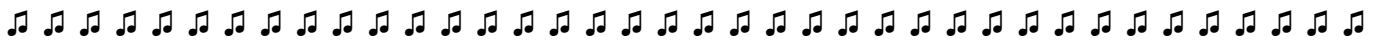
Daily home practise and participation in weekly before school rehearsals is a requirement of being in the program. As the instrumental teachers are only at the college one day each week the students are required to be organised to attend the weekly lesson.

All music lessons are free. The cost of the program involves a \$50.00 annual administration fee. An additional \$120.00 annual hire fee is charged if your child is hiring a school instrument. Students hiring an instrument must have a safe, cool place to store the instrument at home away from younger siblings. All hire instruments must be brought to the weekly music lessons. Students will also need to purchase some beginner music books and small consumables; such as tuning slide grease, valve oil, cork grease or reeds, bow rosin, dependant on which instrument is offered for study.

Students are tested and, if successful, matched to an appropriate instrument.

**If you would like your child to begin their musical journey, please complete the attached form and deliver it to the main college administration building to register your interest or email the form to [Admin@whiteshillsc@eq.edu.au](mailto:Admin@whiteshillsc@eq.edu.au)**

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Instrumental Music Coordinator



# Preliminary Expression of Interest Form

## Attention: Mrs Courtney

My child is interested in the following instrumental music program.

Strings program

Band program

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent email: \_\_\_\_\_

Current school: \_\_\_\_\_

Does your child already play an instrument?

YES

NO

If so - which instruments and how long have they played for?

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**Number the instruments you would consider in order or preference 1 – 3**

### INSTRUMENTAL BAND

Flute  Clarinet  Alto Saxophone  Bass Clarinet

Trumpet  Euphonium  Trombone

Percussion  (Glockenspiel and snare drum)

Bass guitar  (limited numbers)

### INSTRUMENTAL STRINGS

Violin  Viola  Cello  Double bass

