Cairns School of Distance Education

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Instrumental Music Program

In 1999 our school introduced an Instrumental Music Program following comprehensive consultation with our school community.

Our Instrumental Music Program offers students the opportunity to learn an instrument and be part of a concert band. This opportunity is open to all students enrolled with Cairns SDE for all or part of their educational needs, including students based at other Queensland state schools only enrolling with Cairns SDE for their Instrumental Music component.

The program has been an outstanding success receiving widespread acclaim with excellent outcomes for those students participating.



How does the program operate?

Students accepted to be part of the program will be given access to:

- The allocated instrument
- Necessary music books
- Music stand

Costs:

Students who participate in the program are expected to:

- Have already paid their \$300 security deposit, which allows the use of a CSDE instrument (DEPOSIT)
- Contribute a refundable deposit of \$50 as a bond for proper cleaning and maintenance of the instrument (SDEP06)
- Participate in the CSDE Instrumental Music Student Resource Scheme:
 - Instrumental Music program \$100 (IMP01)
 - Instrumental Music hire \$100 (HIREQPST)
- Music camps are held at the school each term and a food contribution fee per student applies

What commitments are involved?

All students who are accepted into the school's Instrumental Music Program must:

- Attend weekly lesson/s
- Attend all planned face to face contacts
- Practice on a regular/daily basis

Parents of participating students are required to ensure the commitments above are adhered to. Where students do not fulfil their commitments to the program the school reserves the right to offer the student's place in the program to another student.

From the second year of a student's involvement in the program, parents are encouraged to purchase their own instrument. Students using their own instrument will not pay the instrument hire fee or bond.

Things I need to know.

- By accepting school equipment on loan, parents are agreeing to accept responsibility for the loan of the equipment
- Parents are responsible for the cost of any damage to the instrument or other equipment caused by negligence, including not having the instrument suitably protected from dust, rain and other weather conditions

How do I start?

If you are interested in your student being part of our school concert band, please complete an Expression of Interest (EOI) form which can be found on the school website and return it with your Enrolment Application.

You will then be contacted by our Instrumental Music Instructor. A lesson will need to be arranged and, in this lesson, the student will be allocated an instrument, be shown how to care for it and also given a program to follow.

The program is supported by weekly telephone lessons conducted by our Instrumental Music Instructor, as well as a music camp held each term in Cairns.

An External Request for Equipment (EQ11) will need to be completed when the instrument is hired from the school. Please take time to read the conditions form before signing.

All payments must be made before students will be able to access the Instrumental Music Program and school-owned equipment can be released. Service will not commence until payment has been received.

The school reserves the right not to accept students into the program where families have a poor record of caring for school-owned resources.

What instruments are taught in the program?

Instruments in the Concert Band include:

- Flute
- Trombone
- Clarinet
- Euphonium
- Bass Clarinet

- Percussion (including drums and auxiliary percussion)
- Alto Sax
- Tenor Sax
- Trumpet

Who can participate in the Program?

With a limited number of student places available, a waiting list will be maintained to allow additional students to enter the program as vacancies exist.

The Instrumental Music Program is available to all Year 4-12 students who are able to participate regularly in phone lessons and are able to attend music camp each term.

Unfortunately, travelling and overseas students are unable to participate unless they are able to meet all the commitments outlined in this brochure. Interested overseas/travelling families who are unable to attend camps, can still participate in the program providing they supply their own instrument.

Further Information

If you require further information about the Instrumental Music Program, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Kelly Perger - Instrumental Music Teacher. Email kperg1@eq.edu.au or Phone: (07) 4080 9111.

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