



## St Brendan's College—Music Department Information 2019

The Music Program and facilities at St Brendan's College are undoubtedly the most inclusive, modern and state-of-the-art in Central Queensland.

The College is proud of the fact that more than 50 per cent of the student population is involved in some form of music instruction at the College, whether that is private tuition or part of the significant music program embedded in the academic curriculum.

- **Private Tuition**

- In addition to the comprehensive music curriculum, private music tuition is available on request.
- Specialist teacher on any musical instrument including voice.
- Available for students Year 7 – 12
- Beginner to advance skills accommodated for.
- The fee structure is \$355 per term. (Charged onto Term Fees)

- **Year 7**

- Every student will undertake a term of music.
- They will start to read rhythmic notation.
- They will sing as an ensemble.
- Students will acquire some percussion skills in relation to Cajon and percussion instruments, including the drum kit.
- Students will experience brass and woodwind instruments and performance through the trumpet and clarinet.
- Students will develop some guitar chord and Tab skills.

- **Year 8**

- Two elective classes are available along with Private Tuition.
- The elective classes are built on the foundation work from Year 7.
- **Concert Band** – students will learn to play a woodwind or brass instrument under the direction of their teacher and the HOD.
- A levy of \$280 per annum is charged for use of a school instrument.
- If your son has his own instrument this is reduced to \$90 for the year.
- Some consumables are charged back to specific students, for example reeds. This is normally only about \$20 per year.
- **Contemporary Class** – Students will learn to play guitar and drums while developing an understanding of piano.
- No prior knowledge is required for participation in any of these classes.
- All instruments are provided by the College.



- **Year 9 & 10**

- Two elective classes are available continuing on from Year 8, along with the Private Tuition.
- It is possible for students with no prior learning to join this class after discussion with the music teachers and the HOD.
- **Concert Band** – students will further develop performance skills in woodwind or brass instruments under the direction of their teacher and the HOD and may be able to start to learn a second instrument.
- A levy of \$280 per annum is charged for use of a school instrument.
- If your son has his own instrument this is reduced to \$90 for the year.
- Some consumables are charged back to specific students, for example reeds. This is normally only about \$20 per year.
- **Contemporary Class** – Students will further develop their guitar and drum skills while adding piano and bass guitar to the lesson content.

If your son is passionate about their chosen instrument it can be advisable to undertake one of the elective music classes, and private tuition as well.

- **Year 11/12**

- Three elective classes are available continuing on from Year 10 as well as the Private Tuition.
- It is possible for students with no prior music experience to join any of these classes after discussion with the music teachers and the HOD.
- **OP Music** is for the student needing music to contribute to their overall exit score at the end of Year 12. This subject has a broad range of assignments, composition and performance assessment requirements.
- **Concert Band** – students will further develop performance skills in their chosen woodwind, brass or percussion instruments under the direction of their teacher and the HOD. Students are expected to begin a second instrument at this level.
- A levy of \$280 per annum is charged for use of a school instrument.
- If your son has his own instrument this is reduced to \$90 for the year.
- Some consumables are charged back to specific students, for example reeds. This is normally only about \$20 per year.
- **Music Theory and Performance (MTP)** is for the student who does not want the exam rigor of the OP program and is more interested in developing their broad musical skills under the direction of a teacher. This program is based on the OP program while focusing on the individual student's strengths and weaknesses. A student taking this class should be enrolled in Private Music either at SBC or outside of the school with another teacher to benefit from this program.



**Performance development and exam opportunities at SBC include:-**

- External examinations through AMEB, Trinity College or ANZCA. These would normally be recommended by a teacher.
- Nursing home visits
- Primary and secondary school visits
- Musicals
- Community events
- College assemblies
- Music Concerts
- Year level music tours
- Queensland Catholic Music Festival tour to Brisbane
- Music festivals
- Music Honours Programs
- Lunch time concerts
- Parent gatherings

There are many ensembles at the college and these include;  
Drumlines – Jazz Bands – Concert Bands  
Klezmer Bands – Djembe Percussion Ensemble  
Guitar Ensembles – Rock Bands  
Worship Bands - Year Level Vocal Groups

As you can see a wide variety of music options and tuition are offered to your son at SBC. If you have any questions in regard to a specific class content or which class the College would recommend for your son, please contact Mr Jack Ingram, Head of Music and he will answer your questions. Otherwise you may contact a teacher directly if you know who will be specifically working with your son.

**Music Staff**

Head of Department                      Mr Jack Ingram                      [Ingramj@sbc.qld.edu.au](mailto:Ingramj@sbc.qld.edu.au)

Classroom & Specialist Teachers

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Specialist Teachers

Mrs Margaret Buchholz  
Mr Liam Keily  
Mrs Larrane Ingram  
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- All music staff may be reached through the above emails or the front office on (07)49399400 or [purdieg@sbc.qld.edu.au](mailto:purdieg@sbc.qld.edu.au).
- For any staff without emails, please use the Head of Department contact.



**St Brendan's College**

**Private Music Tuition Enrolment for 2019**

**\$355 per Term (Charged on Term School Fees)**

Student's Name.....Year Level .....

Parent or person completing the form .....

Contact number .....Email .....

I would like to enroll my son in .....

Please have a music teacher contact me. (Please Circle) Yes / No

Has he previously learnt music? Yes / No  
(Previous lessons are not a requirement to begin lessons)

I would also like my son to participate in his year level music elective. Yes / No

If your son has previously been involved in his school band, choir, musical or other arts program please indicate that here. ....

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Please return to Mrs Gail Purdie at administration

- In person at front reception
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