

Centenary Heights Performing Arts

Centenary Heights State High School offers a range of curricular, co-curricular and extracurricular opportunities for all students from Year 7 to 12.

Subjects on offer include, Dance, Drama, Music, Music Extension (Year 12 only), Film and Television and New Media, Visual Arts and Certificate II courses in Music, Dance and Media.

Instrumental Music is available to all students who are interested in learning an instrument and playing in an array of ensembles. These ensembles perform at Eisteddfods, Fanfare and local schools. Students excelling in this program have the opportunity to participate in SHEP programs (State Honours Ensemble Program) and the SidebySide Program with the Queensland Symphony Orchestra.

The Choral program provides opportunity for students to get involved in a variety of choirs and auditioned specialist vocal groups, including Bella & Basso Voices, Tres Bello and Li'l Ensom. These groups perform in the Toowoomba Eisteddfod, Choral Fanfare, School events and for local nursing homes.

School productions are held every year and alternate between a musical and a play. These productions are designed to give students the opportunity to participate in live theatre while working as a part of a team.

Creative Generation State Schools Onstage is Queensland's largest Performing Arts event with a cast of over 1700 students from Prep to Year 12. Students have the opportunity to audition for Symphony Orchestra, Big Band, Choir, Dance, Drama, Media and Technical Crew.



Application Criteria

Applications can be submitted for students in Grade 6 with an approximate Instrumental Music Level 2 and above or equivalent or choral / vocal experience.

Scholarships

We are excited to be offering a two-year Music Excellence Scholarship for two successful applicants of our Music Excellence Program in 2027 to the value of \$460 each.

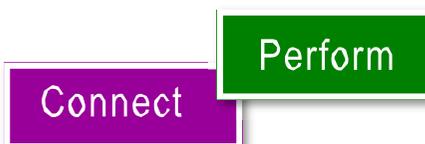
Application Process

If you are interested in nominating your student for our Music Excellence Program, please complete either the Application form provided in this pamphlet or the online Application Form by no later than:

- **Round 1:** Friday 12 June 2026
Auditions to be held on Wednesday 24 June 2026
- **Round 2:** Friday 16 October 2026
Auditions to be held on Wednesday 28 October 2025

The online Application Form can be accessed via the Centenary Heights SHS website.

On receipt of your application, we will forward you an audition package.



Philosophy & Performance

Facilitating creative learning experiences that equip students to engage, explore & develop performing arts skills, and connect with the local and global arts community.



Ensembles Include:

- Concert Band
- Stage Band
- String Orchestra
- Symphony Orchestra
- String Ensemble
- String Quartet
- Small String Ensembles
- Various choirs
- Tres Bello
- Li'l Ensom

Performances Include:

- Toowoomba Eisteddfod
- Music Extension concerts
- Instrumental & Choral Fanfare
- Creative Generation State Schools Onstage
- Lunchtime concerts
- Performing Arts evenings
- Productions
- Choral Festivals
- Christmas concert



About the Program

Centenary Heights State High School offers a highly regarded Music Excellence Program. Students with a proven interest and aptitude in either vocal or instrumental music may apply for a position in the Year 7 Music Excellence class.

Students selected form one of our Year 7 classes for 2027 and will continue as a class into Year 8 in 2028. These students are provided opportunities to be immersed in additional music knowledge and skill development, both instrumentally and vocally.

During Year 7, students are engaged in one Music lesson a week for the entire year. In Year 8, students will participate in the core Music subject for a term as well as one Music lesson for the remainder of the year.

There is a particular emphasis on developing performance skills, and it is a requirement of the program that students participate in either the Instrumental Music or Choral Program.

Students who wish to be considered for the Music Excellence program will be required to participate in an audition process.

Please Note:

Students do not have to be a member of one of our Music Excellence Classes to be involved in the Instrumental Music or Choral Program.

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Music Excellence Program 2027 Application

*Required

Please respond to one of the following options:

- I would like to nominate my student for the Music Excellence Program commencing in 2027.
- I am unsure and would like more information.

Name of student.*

Name of primary/current school.*

Name of instrument/s or voice.*

Instrumental Music Level/AMEB Level/No. of years experience.

Name of contact parent/caregiver*:

Contact phone number*:

Signature of student: _____

Signature of parent/caregiver*: _____

Email address*: _____

Please return to Music Department, Centenary Heights State High School, 60 Ramsay Street, Toowoomba 4350, for attention of Mrs Heidi Law