



ACE

Cultural Excellence: Music

ACE Music is an enrichment program designed to foster a profound understanding and appreciation of music as an essential form of human expression. Our mission is to cultivate curiosity, creativity and connectedness in our students through an engaging and comprehensive curriculum that offers unique, real-world experiences. We strive to create an inclusive environment where individuals can explore their artistic potential, engage in collaborative learning, and develop a lifelong passion for music.

Why ACE Music?

Music is a creative and intellectually challenging subject that promotes students' academic, creative and social development. USHS has established a comprehensive program designed to provide a variety of opportunities for extension and enrichment through workshops and masterclasses. Further opportunities include:

Year 7 - Record a professionally produced music track with Pacific International Music. Feature in a music video with footage captured on the day as a unique keepsake of the experience.

Year 8 - Entertain an audience of kindergarten children from local day care centres in our Performing Arts Centre. Sing, play and dance to children's classics such as Mr Clicketty Cane and Rock-a-bye Your Bear.

Year 9 - Perform for family and friends on the City Park stage in Hervey Bay. Inspire the next wave of high school musicians in a day of performances and games with upper primary Music students

Enrolment requirements

Students are required to play a musical instrument – strings, woodwind, brass, percussion or voice (and including guitar and piano). Students need to be academically able to meet the program demands as well as maintain progress in their other subjects. All ACE Music students are also encouraged to be involved in the school's instrumental music and/or extra-curricular Arts program.

Co-curricular and extra-curricular activities

- Instrumental Music Strings and Multi (Brass, Percussion, Woodwind) program
- Acoustic Night, Sonic and Sonic at the Beach House, Unbleached
- Biannual multi-Arts events and Arts camp

Course outline

Year 7

Core subjects, plus three lessons of Music studying the Music program based on the Year 7 -8 Australian curriculum and incorporating Grade 1 AMEB music theory*; co-curricular and/or extra-curricular Music activities.

Year 8

Core subjects, plus three lessons of Music studying the Music program based on the Year 8 -9 Australian curriculum and incorporating Grade 2 AMEB music theory*; co-curricular and/or extra-curricular Music activities.

Year 9

Core subjects, three lessons of Music studying the Music program based on the Year 10 Australian curriculum and incorporating Grade 3 AMEB music theory*; co-curricular and/or extra-curricular Music activities. Provides an opportunity to study multiple Arts and other electives.

Year 10 & 11

Three lessons of Music per week of General Music and/or Certificate IV in Music.

Year 12

Opportunity to enrol in Music Extension: Performance, Composition or Musicology

*Students will have the option to sit the AMEB Theory of Music online exams to recognise their achievement.



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Participating in the subject of Music has increased my discipline and time-management skills. Having various activities and events throughout the year has taught me to organise my time effectively to prepare for them. I find that increased exposure to performance environments has gradually decreased my stress and nervousness, and increased my confidence and ability to tackle problems. There are many activities throughout the year, from workshops, to competitions; these opportunities have given me room to learn and improve myself as a musician. I also find that ever since participating in music, I have more focus on the task at hand, because of the high concentration skills that playing music requires. Overall, participating in music has positively impacted me in so many ways.

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- Vaish

Year 9 Music ACE Student



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