



# Lyneham High School

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# BAND PROGRAM



An application for placement in this Lyneham High School Special Program is considered in accordance with the ACT Education Directorate Enrolment Policy.

A prospective student must be offered enrolment at Lyneham High School before being considered for this Special Program.

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# Year 7 Bands 2020

## How do I join one of the Year 7 Bands?

### Step One:

- Go to the front page of the Lyneham High School website: <http://www.lynehamhs.act.edu.au/>
- Click on the Special Programs application form link under the “Special Programs for 2020” heading.

**Step Two:** Bring a pen or pencil to one of the band testing mornings. Please turn up to your nominated testing date; there is no need to wait for a confirmation.

## When is Band Testing being held?

Band testing will be held on **Wednesday 15 May and Wednesday 22 May 2019 from 8:30am until 9:45am.** Meet in the foyer of the Lyneham Performing Arts Centre (LPAC) and remember to bring a pen or pencil. Do not bring your instrument as this is a listening test. Please keep in mind that traffic and parking on these mornings will be busy.

## Who must sit the band test?

Any year 6 student who wants to be in the Band Program must sit the band test. The test is for raw beginners as well as students who already have experience on an instrument. It is an aural perception listening test. An example of one question is “Listen to these two notes. Tell me which one is the highest note, the first or the second.” The test highlights the students’ musical strengths in pitch, harmony, melody and rhythm.

## Other facts about Year 7 Band

- Band is a subject on the timetable at Lyneham High School. Year 7 students will have one half line of band as part of their academic program.
- Year 7 band students remain in the band class for a minimum of one year. Students are not allowed to leave the Band Program during year 7. Similarly, once they have been accepted into the program they may not withdraw prior to the start of the school year.
- All band members are expected to practise regularly at home, five times per week.
- The following year, band members may elect to participate in Year 8 Concert Band and then the Year 9 & 10 Concert Bands. By this stage students will have reached a very high standard of performance. We would hope that those starting out in a year 7 band intend to progress to our senior bands.
- Beginner Concert Band: There will be up to 96 students in this band. *No prior experience is necessary.* We start from the very basics. Students who are successful in their application to change to a new instrument are also placed in this band.
- Year 7 Concert Band: Up to 96 students who have participated in their primary school band, or who have played a band instrument for at least one year and can read music, are eligible for membership of this band.

# **BAND TESTING**

This test is for year 6 students wishing to join the **Year 7 Beginner Concert Band** or the **Year 7 Concert Band** in 2020. This is a musical aptitude listening test for both beginners and students who already play a musical instrument.

**Wednesday 15 May 2019**

**or**

**Wednesday 22 May 2019**

**8:30 – 9:45am**

Please turn up to the session that you have nominated on your application form.

Please bring a pen or pencil.

Do not bring your musical instrument.

