



The Program of Excellence in Music aims to foster students who have demonstrated talent and commitment within an instrumental or vocal program, or other specialist areas. It is designed to provide students with extension work for skills that have already been developed with a major emphasis on choral, instrumental performance and musicianship skills.

Acceptance into the Program of Excellence in Music provides priority entry to the school.
Limited places are available in the program.

APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM EITHER:

1. Students currently involved in tuition for an instrument or voice and are members of an ensemble or choir.

Acceptance into the Music Excellence Program is based on a student's current performance level on their chosen instrument or voice.

School reports are required to be submitted with the completed verification form.

Part C of the verification form is to be completed by the student's instrumental music teacher or private music teacher. The teacher also needs to verify the student's current standard by signing the level achieved in section Part A.

OR

2. Students who demonstrate a natural aptitude for music but without instrumental or vocal experience.

Students who may not have had the opportunity to study an instrument in primary school, may be offered one of a limited number of positions in the program. **These students must be prepared to study a band or orchestral instrument as part of the Instrumental Music Program. (Instrument selection will be determined in consultation with the selected students and our experienced instrumental music teachers.)**

Relevant documentation of specialist or extra-curricular activities showing dedication and commitment needs to be provided. School reports are required to be submitted with the Verification Form in order to provide evidence of previous classroom music knowledge and theoretical aptitude.

Successful applicants will be required to:

- Undertake school instrumental tuition and/or private tuition for at least the full two years of Year 7 & 8
- Study the extension stream of the classroom music program for Year 7 & 8 called Music Excellence
- Participate in ensemble rehearsals and performances which regularly occur outside of school hours
- Perform one piece (approx. 1 - 2 mins) for Pimlico SHS Music Teachers in Term 4 of Year 6 to verify student still plays instrument they have been accepted on. Performance afternoon and specific requirements will be communicated after enrolment.

Verification form with the required documents attached, including school report, must be returned to the main office at Pimlico State High School, or emailed to Ashley Baxter (abaxt0@eq.edu.au), Head of Music, no later than 4:00pm Thursday 3 September, 2026 for consideration in the first round of enrolment offers.

The verification form may be lodged separately to the enrolment application form required by the school.

Students who are not successful are encouraged to continue learning their instrument through the school's instrumental music and choral program, and develop their skills through participation in one or more ensembles.