

2020 Music Scholarship Information

Music is an important and well-established part of life at The Scots College, both within the curriculum and in the co-curricular programs. The Music Department is proud to offer world-class music education experiences to boys at all levels of experience and musicianship.

Year 7 2020 Music Scholarships are open to current Scots families and new enrolments.

Year 10 2020 Music Scholarships are open to new enrolments only.

These Scholarships provide full subsidy of music lessons (subject to the approval of Director of Music) and may also attract full or partial remission of academic tuition fees. Preference will be given to strings, woodwind and brass players and those who combine instrumental and vocal talents.

Music Scholarship candidates should have achieved a minimum level of AMEB Grade 5 or equivalent in their primary instrument.

Shortlisted applicants for Music Scholarships will be contacted regarding the time and date of their audition soon after registration.

Auditions

Candidates should prepare two contrasting pieces on their primary instrument, or, one piece per instrument if the candidate would like to demonstrate his musical versatility on two instruments. The total length of the performance should be under 10 minutes.

There will also be sight-reading, aural recognition and a short interview at the audition. Short-listed candidates will subsequently be invited to interview with the Heads of Campus and the Director of Music at a later date.

Music scholars are required to undertake elective Music studies to HSC level and be involved in all musical activities in consultation with the Director of Music, up until the end of their studies at the College.

For further information regarding specific criteria, please contact Mr Paul Vickers, Director of Music at music@tsc.nsw.edu.au or on 02 9391 7694.



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ACER (CSTP) Examination

Saturday 23 February 2019 from 9:00am to 12:00pm

Registration

Scholarship registrations open on mid-September 2018 and close Monday 4 February 2019.

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All Scholarship candidates must read this information carefully:

1. Scholarship registration for the ACER CSTP Examination is to be submitted online at <http://scholarships.acer.edu.au/intro/1575>. Please note pen and paper registrations are not accepted. The Scholarship registration fee is \$120.
2. Acknowledgement of receipt of application will come in printable form as part of the online application process.
3. Closing date for registration is Monday 4 February 2019. No late applications will be accepted.

On Examination Day

The Scholarship test will take place on Saturday 23 February 2019 from 9:00am to 12:00pm.

All candidates sitting the Scholarship test (including current Scots students) must report to Anderson Hall for registration from 8:30am. After registration boys will be escorted to the examination room.

Please ensure your son has with him two black or blue pens. There will be a break between tests so please send your son with something to eat and water in a clear bottle. Students are also required to bring a handkerchief or tissues.

Please note: bags, calculators, mobile telephones, scrap paper, books, stop watches, smart watches, or watches with alarms are not permitted in the testing area.



We are unable to accept late applications or any walk-in candidates on the day of the Scholarship test.

Awarding and Acceptance of Music Scholarship

ACER Examination results will be available online to parents on 4 April 2019.

Following a review of the examination results, a short-list of candidates will be invited to attend the College for interview with the Heads of Campus. Successful candidates will then be notified in writing and given four (4) weeks to indicate their acceptance or otherwise of the College's offer. If acceptance is not received by this time, the College reserves the right to withdraw its offer.

Candidates who have been unsuccessful will be notified at the earliest opportunity.

Please note that the College's determination in the matter of the awarding of Music Scholarships is final and no correspondence about this matter will be entered into.

The College reserves the right to means test every applicant.

Frequently Asked Questions and Answers

- Q Does my son need to sit the ACER Examination if he is applying for a Music Scholarship?
- A Yes, candidates applying for a Music scholarship are required to sit the ACER Scholarship Examination.
- Q If I am invited in for an audition and interview does this mean I will be awarded a Music Scholarship?
- A Not necessarily, there may be a number of students who have been short-listed and invited in for an audition and interview.
- Q What financial support do the Scholarships provide?
- A Music Scholarships provide remission of music fees incurred and related to the learning of an instrument(s) subject to approval from the Director of Music and may also attract full or partial remission of tuition fees.
- Q Will a portfolio be required to outline my son's ability and experience?
- A Yes, please send this in before being contacted.



Q Why do I have to pay a \$120 Application Fee?

A The \$120 covers the ACER Examination Fee and costs such as supervisors for the examination.

Q By what means do we learn of our son's success, or otherwise?

A By written letter.

1. Unsuccessful candidates will be notified by mail.
2. Short listed candidates will be invited in for interview.
3. Unsuccessful short-listed candidates will be notified by mail.
4. Successful Scholarship candidates will be made an offer by mail.

Q How can we best prepare for our son's ACER test?

A The ACER test assesses acquired knowledge and intellectual ability. There is no short-term process that can provide a recipe for success. Allowing your son to rest well prior to the test; providing encouragement and not 'driving' him in the hope of gaining good results; not overburdening him with unrealistic responsibilities and expectations; having him on time at the College and equipped properly – all these will assist him.

Q Where is the College?

A The College is located on Victoria Road, Bellevue Hill, in Sydney's Eastern Suburbs. The main entrance is the Phillip Mullens Memorial Gate, opposite the intersection of Ginahgulla Road with Victoria Road. Students should use the gates to the Centenary Centre on the day of the Scholarship examination.



Contact Details

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