

## School Band Program

Dear Parents,

Today your child attended a demonstration showcasing the instruments available to learn at school in 2021. If you would like more information please register your interest within the next **5 days**. Follow the link below and you can register online or download and print a hard copy of the note if you prefer.

Once you have registered your child's interest TSA will then conduct instrument trials at school to help your child discover which instrument they are most suited to (this will take place within strict COVID-safe guidelines). Following the instrument trials, an *Enrolment Pack* will be sent home with your child. This will contain more detailed information about the school band program along with the result of their instrument trial.



### **Band Program Structure**

**Rehearsal** (all students work together in a full band setting)

- Once a week, generally before or after school, for 30-60 minutes

**Tuition** (students work in small groups or individually to learn new skills)

- 30min per week, at school, usually on the same day as rehearsal

Students attend both **rehearsal** and **tuition** at school. Regular **practise** at home (3-4 times a week) is essential.

### **Band Program Costs**

**Rehearsal & Tuition Fees** – there are two main tuition options available to parents. Group tuition (average of 5 per group) is the most affordable. Individual tuition is more expensive and is not available at all schools.

- Group tuition + band rehearsal fee = \$195 per term
- OR
- Individual tuition (\$395) + band rehearsal fee (\$95) = \$490 per term

**Instrument** – students must have their own instrument

- HIRE – TSA offers a rent-to-buy scheme starting at \$43 per month
- OR
- BUY – TSA also has a range of quality new instruments available for purchase (see overleaf for details)

**Other**

- method book (\$22)
- music stand (\$25)
- TSA resource levy (\$10 per term)
- some instruments need occasional items such as reeds, strings, grease or oil (between \$10-\$50 each year)
- some schools charge a facility hire fee (\$10-\$30 per term)

More information can also be found at [www.teachingservices.com.au](http://www.teachingservices.com.au) or use the QR codes overleaf.

## Expression of Interest

### **How to register your child's interest in the band**

Simply provide your child's name, class and school along with your contact email and phone number and TSA will include them in instrument trials at school. There is no commitment required and the online form will take less than a minute to complete.



- Open your smartphone camera app and point the camera at the QR code. Your device will recognise the QR code and shows a notification. Tap the notification and you will be taken to the online *Expression Of Interest* form.

OR

- Visit [www.teachingservices.com.au/EOI](http://www.teachingservices.com.au/EOI)

OR

- Email your child's name, class and school to [enrolments@teachingservices.com.au](mailto:enrolments@teachingservices.com.au)

For information on instruments available in the school band open your smartphone camera and point at the QR code. Your device will recognise the QR code and show a notification. Tap the notification and you will be taken to TSA's website for more information.

### Woodwind Section



Flute



[teachingservices.com.au/flute](https://teachingservices.com.au/flute)



Clarinet



[teachingservices.com.au/clarinet](https://teachingservices.com.au/clarinet)

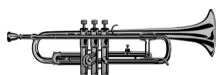


Saxophone



[teachingservices.com.au/sax](https://teachingservices.com.au/sax)

### Brass Section



Trumpet



[teachingservices.com.au/trumpet](https://teachingservices.com.au/trumpet)



Trombone



[teachingservices.com.au/trombone](https://teachingservices.com.au/trombone)



Euphonium/Baritone Horn



[teachingservices.com.au/euphobaritone](https://teachingservices.com.au/euphobaritone)

### Bass & Percussion Section



Bass Guitar



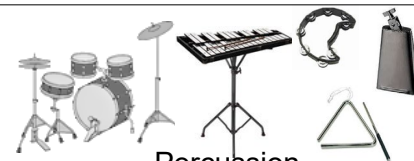
[teachingservices.com.au/bassguitar](https://teachingservices.com.au/bassguitar)



Keyboard Bass



[teachingservices.com.au/keyboardbass](https://teachingservices.com.au/keyboardbass)



Percussion



[teachingservices.com.au/percussion](https://teachingservices.com.au/percussion)

### Other

Many programs offer the option of learning 'extension' instruments such as oboe, french horn or tuba. Check with TSA office first to see whether these are available at your school.

[teachingservices.com.au/otherinst](https://teachingservices.com.au/otherinst)

