

## Emanuel School - Music Scholarships 2027

Emanuel School Music Scholarships are available to students **entering Year 7 or Year 9 in 2027** who, in addition to performing well in academic scholarship testing, also demonstrate exceptional performance skills on at least one instrument or voice. Applications are welcome from both current Emanuel School students and external candidates.

Emanuel School's Music Program provides students with every opportunity to develop the skills essential for building a foundation for learning and lifelong success. Emanuel's Music students benefit from access to world-renowned tutors, opportunities to perform locally, encouragement to excel in external instrumental examinations, participation in musicals and showcases, and involvement in a fully immersive annual Music Camp.

The successful applicants will study music as an elective subject in years 9-12 and make an active contribution to extra-curricular music at Emanuel School through consistent commitment to ensembles and performances, and attendance at the annual Music Camp.

A Music Scholarship requires minimum standards and an audition. Before applying, please read the information very carefully. This information is about the selection process, including application deadlines, eligibility criteria and annual review conditions. Only short-listed candidates will be invited to audition. We recommend all candidates advise their private music tutors that they are applying, so that they can receive advice on repertoire and accompaniment in the event that they are invited to audition.

The scholarships provide for up to 50% of academic tuition fees for the remainder of the student's secondary schooling, depending upon availability and subject to the Music Scholarship Annual Review Conditions listed below. The scholarships do not cover private music tuition, compulsory fees, subject levies, textbooks or uniforms.

### Music Scholarship Criteria

The standard of candidates varies every year, but this list of criteria indicates our expectation of the minimum standards to be considered eligible for audition and testing for the Music Scholarship.

Applicants will:

1. be entering Year 7 or Year 9 in 2027
2. demonstrate exceptionally advanced performance skills on at least one instrument or voice.

The following minimum ability levels would indicate suitability for the audition:

- woodwind, brass, violin, viola, cello, voice, guitar, percussion – AMEB Grade 4 (Year 7) and Grade 6 (Year 9)
- double bass – AMEB Grade 3 (Year 7) and Grade 5 (Year 9)
- piano – AMEB Grade 5 (Year 7) and Grade 6 (Year 9)

The following difficulty levels for the music theory test are a guide:

- Year 7 - AMEB Music Theory Grade 2
- Year 9 - AMEB Music Theory Grade 3

If the candidate has not sat for formal practical examinations, the private music tutor should be consulted by the parent about the candidate's current level of achievement in relation to AMEB examinations. If the candidate has not sat for formal theory or musicianship examinations, and the private music tutor cannot provide advice about the level, then practice exams and exams can be purchased through the AMEB website.

Applicants for a 2027 Music Scholarship at Emanuel School, must do the following:

1. Complete this online [Music Scholarship application form](#) by the deadline of **4.00 pm on Monday 26 January 2026**, providing detailed information about the candidate's musical accomplishments and interests. The information on this form is used to assess whether the candidate meets the criteria, and is sufficiently competitive with other candidates, to be short-listed for audition. Therefore, ALL information about the child's musical history and evidence of this (for example exam reports, eisteddfod or competition reports, references from music teachers) should be included in this application form. Information will not be collected by email or telephone or hard copy.
2. The Music Department will inform parents of candidates by email on the afternoon of Wednesday 28 January 2026 whether or not the candidate will be invited for audition.
3. Candidates for the Year 7 or Year 9 Music Scholarship **must also sit the ACER Academic Test**. To register for ACER Academic Testing, [click here](#) by the deadline of 4.00 pm on 2 February 2026. The ACER test will be held at Emanuel School on Tuesday 10 February 2026.
4. Candidates invited for audition, and their accompanists, must be available to attend the

Music Scholarship Test and Audition on Monday 23 March 2026.

#### Music Scholarship Annual Review Conditions

- selection of Elective Music as a course of study in Year 9 and 10
- selection of Music 1 or Music 2 as a course of study in Year 11 and 12
- active contribution to extra-curricular music through consistent commitment to music ensembles and participation in performance events
- attendance at the annual Music Camp
- continued academic effort in all subjects, as assessed by teachers
- continued progress and high performance
- appropriate and positive conduct, including observing the school rules and ongoing participation in the life of the School.