

Ararat College Music Program

Ararat College offers a strong music program with between 60 to 100 students participating. Our program can offer students tuition in all musical Instruments in Brass, Woodwind, String, percussion, vocals and Piano/Keyboard.

Participation in the school bands can be exciting and rewarding and often students choose to perform in a variety of ensembles both small and large. Each year the Arts group presents a musical in which up to 100 students participate. Staff and students of the secondary college have written some of the Musicals performed and other schools throughout Australia have performed these. Students are given the opportunity to travel with the music groups and gain much from the experiences. Participation in the bands can result in a massive improvement in ability throughout a student's total education.

Tuition

Tuition costs \$100 per year and covers lessons for the school year. Please note that the fee cannot be refunded once your child commences lessons.

Hire of Instruments

Ararat College does not hire instruments and recommends purchase of instruments to parents who would like their child to have their own, however parents who would prefer to hire an instrument can contact a reputable hire company through the school. Parents contemplating the purchase of instruments should also get advice before purchasing instruments to avoid buying a poor quality instrument. Ararat College has a reasonable number of instruments available for free loan for students in years 7 and 8 so that parents can find out if their child wishes to continue before making a purchase.

A.M.E.B. EXAMS

Some students choose to take Australian Music Examinations at this college as a way to structure their learning and as a way to receive external assessment by Australia's premiere music examination body. The A.M.E.B. exams can allow students entry into many community bands and are an excellent preparation for a professional career in music.

What do I Choose?

Please indicate your choices by placing the numbers 1, 2 and 3 in the boxes next to your preferred instruments . Please note that all styles and types of music are covered in all areas, ie, pop, rock, blues, classical, contemporary, jazz, originals.

If any student has a request/choice, that is not mentioned, we are able to coordinate and assist, in selected personal requirements. Please feel free to enquire.

Instrumental Music Lessons – Year 7

If your child would like to start instrumental music lessons at Ararat College next year, please fill in the attached form and return it to the school office.

Dave Thompson
Ararat College
Music coordinator

Instrumental Music Lessons

Student Name: _____

I already play an instrument.

Yes No

If yes, which instrument(s) ?

For How long?

Do you already own this instrument?

Yes No

If no, are you willing to hire this instrument?

Yes No

Would you like to buy this instrument?

Yes No

Are you prepared to wait until a school instrument is available?

Yes No

- I acknowledge that a non refundable fee of \$100 applies on acceptance into the program.
- I acknowledge if my child is enrolled in A.M.E.B. exams there will be additional fees for each exam undertaken.

Parent Name _____

Parent Signature _____

Phone Number _____

Please indicate your choices by placing the numbers 1, 2 and 3 in the boxes next to your preferred instruments.

Guitars

electric
acoustic
bass
ukulele

Brass/Woodwind

trumpet
cornet
trombone
French horn
euphonium
tuba
saxophone

Drums/Percussion

acoustic kit
electric kit
cajon
conga
bongo
djembe
marching snare

Singing/ solo

Writing, performing,
breathing, microphone use,
pitch, technique and
harmonies