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# SPECIALIST PROGRAMS

# MUSIC - STUDENT COMMITMENT

At John Forrest Secondary College, we are proud to offer students the opportunity to pursue their individual interests and strengths through participation in **one of our four** Specialist Programs.

## MUSIC

The Music Specialist Program provides students with the opportunity to learn their instrument from an early age, continue to develop musically and then have the choice of studying music at Year 11 and 12 ATAR level. Students in the program have many exciting opportunities to develop teamwork and leadership skills. With those opportunities comes the responsibility to commit to the music program and their fellow musicians. Students and parents should consider the following:

- The Music Specialist Program is at least a four-year commitment. It is expected that students enrolling in this course for Year 7 will participate until at least the end of Year 10.

- The program includes
    - class music, including aural and theory skills, Kodály ear training and composition;
    - weekly group instrumental lesson with an IMSS staff member; and
    - two after school ensembles, including Choir.

- Students may be scheduled classes or ensembles that start prior to the school day or extend beyond the school day. Details of the schedule will be provided to each student.

- Students who miss classes due to participation in lessons or ensembles are expected to independently follow up with their teachers to catch up on missed work. Students who have difficulty keeping up with school work may be unsuited to the program.

- The Specialist Programs are timetabled as electives. Queries about the impact that may have on the availability of other electives can be discussed with the Deputy Principal.

- Students may be withdrawn from the Music Program if they do not meet the Performance Guidelines in the Forrester's Way and Contract. Students from outside the Local Intake Area may have their College enrolment cancelled in the event they withdraw or are withdrawn from a Specialist Program. The College reserves the right to terminate an out of Local Intake Area enrolment in accordance with Department of Education policy.

An example of the Ensemble Timetable is below:

| 2018 ENSEMBLE TIMETABLE | | | | |
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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Junior Jazz Band 7:45-8:30am Room 27 | Senior Guitar Ensemble 7:45-8:45am Room 27 | Electric Guitar Ensemble 7:45- 8:45am Room 27 | Percussion Ensemble 7:45-8:45am Studio 1 | String Ensemble 7:45-8:30am Room 26 |
| Senior Band 3:10-4:30pm Staff Room | Junior Band 3:10-4:10pm Gym Stage | Swing Band 3:10-5:00pm Room 27 | Choir 3:05-4:00pm Room 27 | Chamber Choir 3:00-4:00pm Room 26 |
| | Junior Guitar Ensemble 3:05-4:00pm Room 27 | | | |
| | Vocal Ensemble 3:05-4:00pm Room 26 | | | |