

# EKC INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM

## 2026

Dear Students & Parents/Guardian,

EKC is pleased to offer the Instrumental Music Program in 2026. The Program provides students with a weekly lesson for a selected instrument(s). There are many performance opportunities within the college and the local community, including lunchtime concerts, performance workshops, Senior Soiree, Winter Soiree and Junior Concert, assemblies, and information nights.

Instruments available:

- Guitar
- Electric Bass
- Drums
- Voice
- Piano / Keyboard

Students enrolled in the program are invited to also join ensembles, including:

### Senior Campus:

- Senior Choir
- Guitar Ensemble
- Genre specific Ensembles (Jazz, R&B/Soul, Rock etc.)
- Senior Drum Corp

### Junior Campuses:

- Guitarchestra (guitar orchestra)
- Junior Choir
- Various ensembles
- Junior Drum Corp

### Fees:

- \$80 per term of weekly lessons.
- Payment can be made per term (\$80), semester (\$160), or the whole year (\$320) at your campus front office, or via Compass.
- Payment for the term must be made by week 3 of that term.



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Payment of instrumental music fees contributes to the cost of employing specialist teachers. These fees are significantly subsidised by the Department of Education and Training Victoria. For comparison, private lessons typically cost around \$2,240 for 32 lessons - and this does not include access to ensembles. Please note that the fee is a yearly charge, not a per-lesson cost.

**Lessons:**

Junior Campus lessons are conducted weekly, individually or in small groups. Lessons are scheduled on a rotational basis so that students do not miss the same class time in consecutive weeks.

Senior Campus lessons are conducted individually and in small groups depending on which VCE music stream the student is enrolled in. VCE Music Performance Solo program students receive a 39 -minute individual lesson on a weekly basis.

**Expectations:**

- Students must stay up to date with any class work they miss due to instrumental music lessons. Students should take initiative to catch up with their classroom teacher and make sure they stay up to date with all required classwork.
- Students must maintain a minimum GPA of 3 to continue lessons.
- If an instrumental music lesson is scheduled when a student has a CAT/SAC/Exam, the student must attend their CAT/SAC/Exam as this takes precedence over instrumental music lessons.

Please contact using the below information for any queries;

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### Expression of Interest Form

*Please return this form to your campus front office, or to your campus' music department.*

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_

Year level in 2026: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle **preferred instrument** you would like to learn:

Guitar

Electric Bass

Drums

Voice

Piano/Keyboard

Outline your child' s **previous musical experience**:

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*In signing the bottom of this form I am acknowledging that I understand that this is a fee paying program and am agreeing to the associated cost and timeline that has been outlined in the information provided. I also acknowledge the additional attendance, GPA and assessment expectations that sit with joining the instrumental music program and will ensure that my child is also aware of these expectations and I will support the school in ensuring these are met.*

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_