

Heights
Great
Scale

Springfield Central
State High

exceptional today, inspirational tomorrow



resilience – responsibility – respect – relationships

MAGNA Arts Excellence Information Package

MAGNA Arts Excellence Program

In 2013, Springfield Central SHS launched our MAGNA Arts Excellence (Music) program, specifically designed to support and foster the development of high achieving music students. MAGNA is the Latin word for **GREAT**, which aligns closely with our school motto, **Scale Great Heights**, and this underpins the program.

MAGNA Arts Excellence (Music) classes will offer students with high-level musical skills a differentiated program, which extends on learning opportunities and focuses on the development of higher order thinking skills. The purpose and pace of MAGNA (Music) classes is designed to engage and motivate high achieving students to scale great heights and give opportunities to be extended and challenged in comparison to mainstream music classes.

What does MAGNA Arts Excellence look like?

MAGNA Arts Excellence (Music) provides opportunities for students to further enhance their musicianship by undertaking focussed classes, lessons and workshops. MAGNA Arts Excellence classes offer support to students and where possible, case management and/or mentoring through a variety of contexts including music camps and/or Days of Excellence Programs.

To remain a part of the MAGNA Arts Excellence program throughout the year, students must maintain a very high standard of effort and involvement in both classroom and instrumental (or vocal/choral) music programs. Students should maintain an A level of achievement in Instrumental Music (or vocal music) lessons. MAGNA Arts Excellence students should readily engage in extracurricular instrumental and/or vocal groups at the school and look for opportunities to continually extend themselves, such as participating in Eisteddfods and external performances. Information about such programs will be made available to the students throughout the year. We currently run an instrumental program for **brass, woodwind, percussion, string, voice and guitar**. MAGNA Arts Excellence will therefore offer places in these categories of instruments.

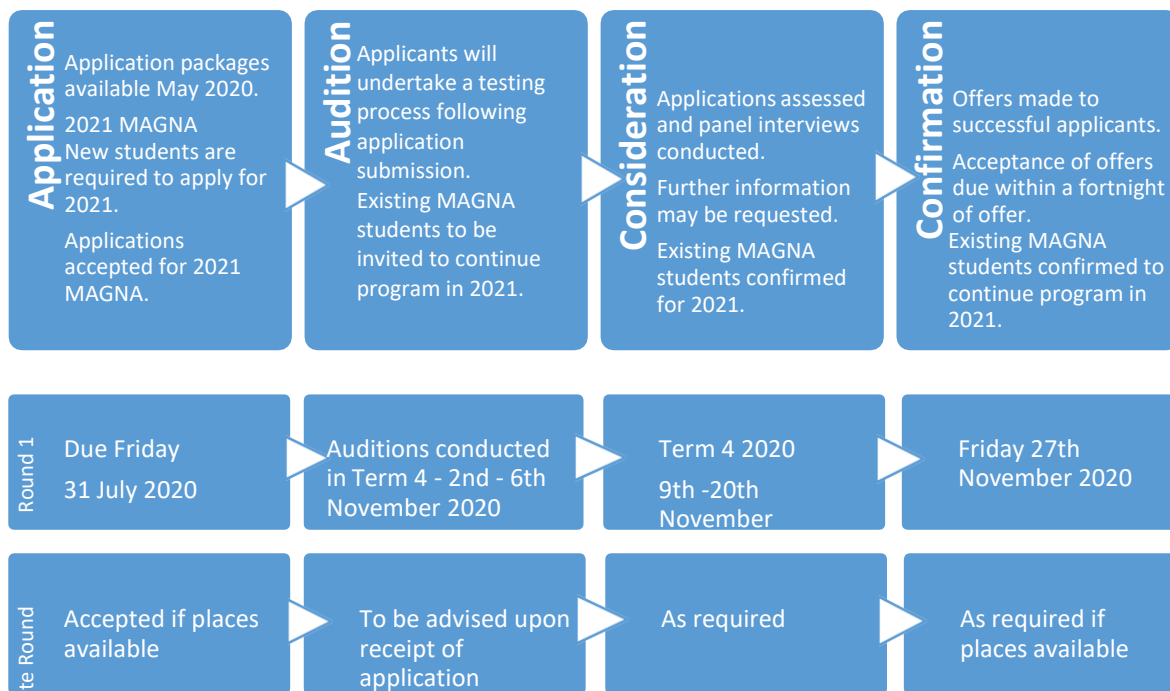
Existing Magna Music students from year 7 to 9 do not re-apply, instead they are invited to continue study in Magna Music through recommendation by their class teacher. This is completed by HOD of Arts during term 3.

MAGNA Arts Excellence Criteria

It is a requirement for MAGNA Arts students to demonstrate the following:

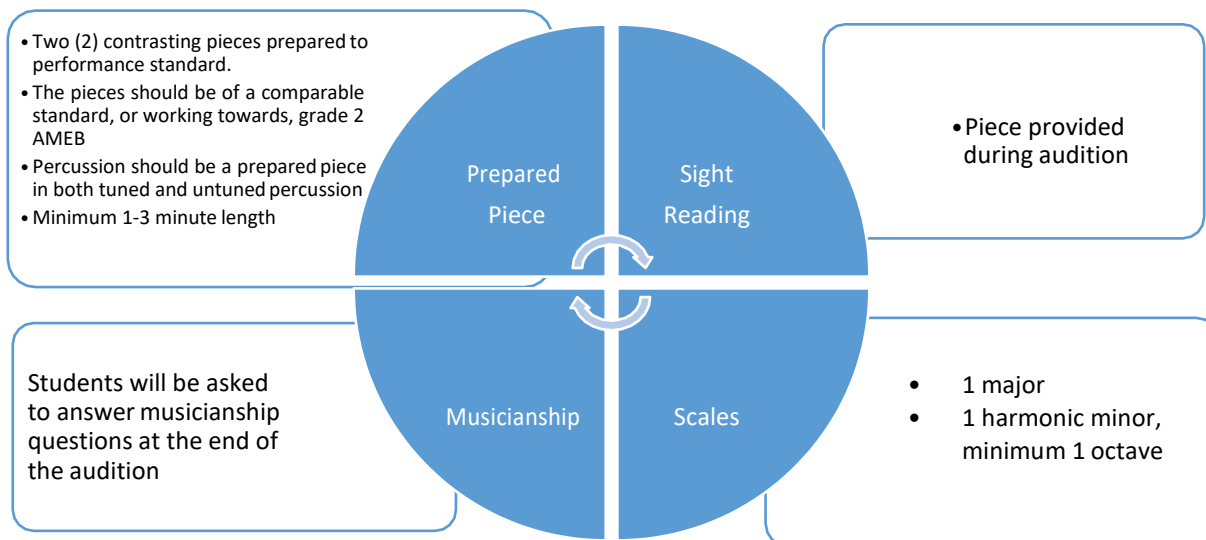
- maintain a high standard of effort and behaviour (very good minimum), and at least a high passing academic grade (no less than a B overall) in MAGNA Music
- our four core school values of resilience, responsibility, respect and relationships, demonstrated to a high level at all times
- an excellent level of attendance
- involvement in and commitment to at least one of our music extra-curricular activities such as band, ensemble, lunchtime concerts, musical, creative generation and/or choir
- active participation in the music department, for example performing at community events and assisting with school events
- a high level of effort and achievement in instrumental and/or vocal tuition
- commitment and focus on musical development including regular individual rehearsal at home

Application Timeline



Audition

The audition process for new students to MAGNA Arts 2021 will consist of the following.



How to Apply

Complete an online application form at the Springfield Central State High website:

<https://springfieldcentralshs.eq.edu.au/Curriculum/Excellenceprograms/Pages/Excellenceprograms.aspx>

Remember to attach the following

- Two (2) most recent school report cards
- Latest NAPLAN Report

Please scan and submit the application with attachments by email:

magna@springfieldcentralshs.eq.edu.au

Please ensure that attachments are in PDF format and are no greater than 4MB in size.