



SMP



**BURNSIDE HIGH SCHOOL** *TE KURA O WAIMAIRI-IRI*  
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# Specialist Music Programme (SMP)

The **Specialist Music Programme (SMP)** is a unique programme within New Zealand that:

- Promotes excellence and provides a stimulating and challenging environment in which talented musicians thrive.
- Creates opportunities for high-performing musicians to work alongside other similarly minded students from all year levels, guided by tuition from professional musicians.
- Offers scholarships to the most outstanding prospective Year 9 students each year.

The SMP caters for students with considerable musical experience and talent. Successful applicants gain entry to Burnside High School whether living in-zone or not. The SMP offers the highest possible standard of musical education and opportunities and is delivered separately to the normal school curriculum through instrument specific workshops held weekly after school in the following specialisms:

- Piano
- Strings (Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass)

- Woodwind (Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Bassoon, Saxophone)
- Brass (Trumpet, Trombone, French Horn, Tuba, Euphonium)
- Voice
- Jazz (Drums, Bass Guitar, Guitar, Piano)  
N.B. SMP Brass and Woodwind students with an interest in Jazz are eligible to join this workshop in addition to their main specialism.

## ADMISSION TO THE PROGRAMME

Admission to the SMP is by audition. First auditions for entry in 2021 will be held Wednesday 20 May – Friday 22 May 2020. All prospective Year 9 students wishing to be considered for SMP scholarships **MUST** audition in this session; other year levels may also audition at this time but are not eligible for scholarships. A further session of auditions for entry to **all year levels** (9–13) will be held Wednesday 22 – Friday 24 July 2020.

Deadline for SMP Scholarship applications:

**Thursday 14th May 2020 at 3.00pm**

Deadline for all other SMP applications:

**Thursday 16th July 2020 at 3.00pm**

## COVID-19

The format of this year's SMP auditions may need to be modified, although the application procedures and deadlines remain as published.

Application forms, updates and changes will be available on the Burnside High School website and the SMP website: [specialistmusicprogramme.co.nz](http://specialistmusicprogramme.co.nz)

Applicants will also be notified by email.

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