The Rouse Hill High School music ensembles program is an opportunity to extend or develop your interest and skills in music. The ensembles have a long tradition at our school beginning in 2009 and performing regularly at school events.

You can expect to have a great time learning music with like minded musicians all keen to improve and perform. As a member of these ensembles you are expected to commit yourself to being part of the team and it is as easy as following the guidelines below.

- Bring your music folder and a positive attitude
- Attend rehearsals regularly (maximum of two absences a semester)
- Arrive at 7.45am for rehearsals doors shut at 7.50am
- Let Miss Mitchell or Mr Medcalf know prior to rehearsal if you can’t be there
- Check the Google + community for updates on rehearsals, events and repertoire
- Be involved in all performances and return permission notes promptly

In 2014 we aim to provide quality musical experiences for all students involved in the ensemble program and have a particular focus on developing the skills of Year 7 students. The following ensembles, training groups and rehearsal spaces will be available from Week 4.

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**Training band** - This group consists of brass and woodwind along with a bass guitar player and percussion section. Learn simple repertoire and develop your skills from your primary school band. All students are welcome but there is only one position for a bass guitar player.

**Percussion, Guitar and Keyboard training** - These training sessions are designed for the beginner to intermediate student. You will learn basic skills by learning techniques, how to read and performing individually and in a group. There are limited places in each group and priority will go to year 7 students.

**Vocal Ensemble** - If you sing, the vocal ensemble is the place for you. Performing pop and r’n’b vocal arrangements this ensemble are energetic and regularly represent the school.

**Junior Rock band** - This group consists of drums, bass guitar, electric guitar, keyboard and vocals and perform any guitar based music. You will be required to audition for a spot in this ensemble.

**Open rehearsal** - This space is available with prior arrangements for any students who have formed their own band.

**FEES:** All of the bands and training groups have contribution fees of $40 associated with them. This program is completely funded by student contribution.

**Are you interested?**

Find Mr Medcalf or Miss Mitchell in the staffroom to collect a permission note and further information.

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Principal