



## SAMARITAN COLLEGE BAND PROGRAMME AGREEMENT 2025

Please detach, complete, sign and return the following double-sided form to any campus front desk.

Student's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Year Level in 2025: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher in 2025 (leave blank if unknown) \_\_\_\_\_

Campus attending in 2025: Primary: **OLHCC** [ ] **STC** [ ] or Secondary: **SJC** [ ]

Please **number in order** of preference (*with a minimum of 4*):

GUITAR [ ]	BASS GUITAR [ ]	PERCUSSION [ ]
KEYBOARD [ ]	CLARINET [ ]	FLUTE [ ]
SAXOPHONE [ ]	WINDSTARS [ ] ( <i>Primary only</i> )	

### WILL YOU HAVE YOUR OWN INSTRUMENT IN 2025 :

[ ] **NO** I will need to hire an instrument and understand there will be a \$200 annual Hire Fee payable.  
If you are a hiring guitarist or bassist please tick: **LEFT Handed** [ ] **RIGHT Handed** [ ]

[ ] **YES** I will have my own instrument (*please provide details of what you have in space below*):

**IF YOU HAVEN'T PREVIOUSLY BEEN IN THE BAND PROGRAMME, DO YOU HAVE ANY MUSIC EXPERIENCE? PLEASE PROVIDE DETAILS:** (*i.e. Choir, private lessons [how long, with whom, which instrument] other musical activity*):

In addition to your **USUAL** instrument there are occasional opportunities within the BAND PROGRAMME to do any of the following – **please tick if you are willing to try any of these:**

SINGING (Solo) [ ] SINGING (Group) [ ] UKULELE [ ] PIANO/KEYBOARD [ ]

Parent/caregiver's Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/caregiver's email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/caregiver's mobile phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT - FORM CONTINUES OVERLEAF**



**PLEASE NOTE:**

Band group lessons and Rehearsals are **free** to attend and assist the students with basic skills required to play the **Band Repertoire**. Band is not designed to take the place of regular, individual lessons - these ideally should be sought on a Private basis if your child wishes to pursue their instrument on a longer, more specialist basis.

**PERCUSSION** is *not* purely Drum Kit. "Percussion" comprises a range of tuned and un-tuned instruments, including tambourine/ woodblock/glockenspiel/snare-drum and some keyboard.

**GUITAR** can be taken on either Electric or Acoustic. Guitar and Bass packs can be purchased for virtually the same cost as our annual hire price - *please ask us for advice if you decide to purchase your own instrument.*

**WINDSTARS** is a NEW instrument option, available since 2024 for Primary Students. These instruments are an excellent introduction to learning the Flute or Saxophone/Clarinet - you can choose to purchase your own for approx. \$80, or hire for \$50 per year. *Please ask us for more information.*

**IMPORTANT:**

Please declare and detail any **HEALTH ISSUES** and/or **ACTION PLANS** (*allergies, acute or chronic illness, disabilities, autism diagnoses*), learning difficulties, guardianship arrangements or any other personal circumstances or information we should know (*this information is treated in the strictest confidence*).

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*By **signing below** we give permission for, and understand the full Terms and Conditions of the **2025 Band Agreement** found overleaf.*

**Parent/Caregiver Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Please direct any questions to Band Director Alison Hams  
via SMS to: **0412 132 845**  
via email to: **info@stormfrontproductions.info**



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November 2024

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

The **Samaritan College Band Programme** is an exciting part of our College's Arts Education for young people.

### LESSONS, REHEARSALS AND PERFORMANCES:

As part of our School Band Programme your child will receive a weekly group Instrumental Lesson at their home campus – these times will be informed in writing **upon the return of your attached signed Band Agreement**.

*While these group Instrumental Lesson times will also be informed to your school and teacher – it is your child's responsibility to be aware of, and to attend their lesson on time - with instrument & resources - each week.*

**Band lessons and Rehearsals are spent learning and practicing the BAND REPERTOIRE**. Your first Lessons will comprise introductions, preparations and distributions of materials ready for learning.

Once Band Lessons are well underway regular **Band Rehearsals** will be held in the Saint John's Campus Music Room - our Primary students will receive free transport to and/or from their campus to the Rehearsal. Students may also have **Periodic Group Rehearsals** scheduled at their own campus (*notified if/when required*).

*BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT you give permission for your child to travel for Band during the calendar year to/from any Samaritan College campus or other performance venue with Des's Transport accompanied by a staff member, and as required. The bus and driver will comply with all road safety regulations. On the rare occasion a bus is not available students may be transported in small groups by a fully licensed staff member in their vehicle which is roadworthy and seatbelted.*

**Performing music together** is a fundamental part of any musician's journey, and an important focus of our Band, with many benefits including developing confidence, working as a team and of course fun! There will be **Performance Opportunities** throughout the year and *it is expected that students dedicate to attending these performances* – only exceptional circumstances for non-attendance will be considered.

Being part of the **FREE** Samaritan College Band Programme is a privilege. It is expected that all students display good manners and behaviour to their director, tutors and bandmates at all times. The Band Programme values punctuality, organisation, good communication, home practise and involving yourself. If a student does not adhere to these values they may be removed from the Band Programme at any time.

*My child may be photographed and their image published for school records, Newsletters and/or School Yearbooks.*

### INSTRUMENTS:

All Bands have maximum quotas set for each Instrumental Section (Guitar, Bass, Woodwind, Percussion) and **NOT ALL STUDENTS CAN NECESSARILY BE ALLOCATED THEIR FIRST PREFERENCE**.

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For most students, results and progress take time - and it is generally expected students remain on their allocated instrument for the school year. If your tutor considers a change of instrument could be beneficial, this will be discussed with both student and caregiver.

If your child has notified us that they can use their **own instrument** – they need to bring this instrument with them to their first group Instrumental Lesson (and all Lessons and Rehearsals thereafter). At your child's first Lesson we will check your instrument's working order and unless we make further contact with you to advise any issues, it is considered ready for use. If you are supplying your own instrument then our School Band Programme is completely free.

If your child has indicated they need to **hire** an instrument we will allocate and deliver that instrument to your child at their first Lesson. Your child will be briefed on how to assemble, maintain and play their instrument in Term One.

**Instrument Hire** (with the exception of drums or keyboards for which there is no rental applicable) will be charged at a heavily subsidised cost of **\$200 per year**. This amount will be added to your College Fees. All hired equipment must be returned at the end of each school year to avoid replacement costs.

It is expected that your child will attend all their Instrumental Lessons and Band Rehearsals if they are at school, including days when they have forgotten their instrument. If you know you cannot attend at any time, we appreciate the courtesy of an SMS to Alison to let us know.

There is also an expectation that students take appropriate care of their instrument at all times. *BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT you agree* that any loss, or non-accidental damage to your (child's) instrument due to careless or inappropriate behaviour will require your payment of all associated repair and replacement costs.

Included here for your records is our **2025 Parts & Accessories List** from which you will be able to order throughout the year. ALL BAND STUDENTS need a dedicated **A4 Display Book** for sheet music, and your tutors will advise you of how and when to order anything from this List. Items generally need to be pre-ordered for delivery the following week. With prior approval from your Tutor you are welcome to supply your own parts and accessories as detailed on this List.

**WOODWIND:**

- \*Reeds (Clarinet/Saxophone) \$5 each
- \* Cork Grease \$3 each
- \* Microfibre cleaning cloths \$1 each

**DRUMS/PERCUSSION:**

- \* Set of 5A Oak Drumsticks \$5

**GUITAR and GENERAL:**

- \* A4 Display Books \$2 each
- \* Guitar Capos \$10 each
- \* Guitar Strings \$2 each (fitted)
- \* Guitar Picks \$1 each
- \* Bass Strings quoted for case-by-case
- \* Straps, Leads etc.. can be quoted for case-by-case

If you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact the school on 8645 8568 or Alison directly on **0412 132 845** or via email to [info@stormfrontproductions.info](mailto:info@stormfrontproductions.info)

Alison Hams  
(Band Director)

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