Each person is special...

At Holland Park High, the home of Triple E, we aim to provide students with a distinct educational advantage through the range of high quality learning experiences with our programs. We believe each person is special!

A Senior Percussion Student on the drum kit at the Gala Concert 2011

At Holland Park High, our focus is on identifying each student’s unique talents and providing them with opportunities to develop them to the highest level. Our staff look for excellence in all our school initiatives and seek to be responsive to our students’ needs and the expectations and desires of our families.

Our music program nurtures talented musicians!

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Creating Musical Futures

- Holland Park State High has a strong music program encouraging students of all year levels to participate at their own standard.
- All Yr 8 students participate in an introductory classroom music program for one semester.
- In years 9—12, music is an elective subject comprising performance, composition and listening skills.

Instrumental Music

At a glance...

- Group lessons available to all students in our School by leading music educators.
- A wide spectrum of woodwind, brass and string instruments available for hire.
- Frequent professional development for our teachers ensures best practice in the areas of curriculum and tuition.
- A variety of Ensembles provides students with the opportunity to perform in a number of different musical styles and develop musical independence.
- Teamwork, self-discipline and self-confidence leading to maturity and personal growth are fostered, beginning with the annual 2-day Music Camp for all students (held in April at Brookfield Conference Centre).

Ensembles...

Concert Band  Brass Ensemble
String Ensemble  Percussion Ensemble
Jazz Band  Symphony Orchestra
Saxophone Ensemble

Engagement with the wider community

- The HPSHS Concert Band supports the Holland Park RSL on Remembrance Day every year
- Every year, one of our Trumpeters performs The Last Post at the annual Anzac Day Parade organized by the Holland Park RSL
- Our Bands are often asked to play at local School Fêtes, Mt Gravatt Show, and other public events
- The Jazz Band played at the opening of Child Safety Week in the Queensland Parliament in 2010
- The Strings Ensemble played at Greenslopes Hospital in 2010

Students can also participate in the Instrumental Music Program in years 8—12, in the strings, woodwind, brass or percussion section. Currently 20% of the school’s population plays a musical instrument in the program.

Flexible schooling options allow students to attend outside music courses such as the Diploma program at the Jazz Music Institute while undertaking their normal school program.

Strings students at annual Music Camp in 2011

Members of the Jazz Band perform at the end-of-year Gala Concert in 2011

The Sax Quartet entertains at the end-of-year Gala Concert in 2011

Student Achievements

- One student and one teacher represented HPSHS as part of the Creative Generation State Schools on Stage 2011
- 3 students were members of the Young Conservatorium Program 2011
- 3 students were selected to participate in the State Honours Ensemble Program 2011
- 5 students were selected to participate in the Secondary Schools Workshop of Excellence 2011
- At MusicFest 2011, the Concert Band and Jazz Band each won a Silver Medal.