Meriden offers a culturally-rich learning environment, a central part of which is the Meriden Music Department. Girls with outstanding musical ability and potential are inspired, encouraged and nurtured through a challenging classroom program and the many orchestras, bands, choirs and smaller ensembles on offer. Meriden girls often achieve exceptional results in Music in the HSC and many go on to further study of music.

Music Scholarships provide full or part remission of tuition fees up to the HSC, subject to satisfactory progress and participation. The Music Scholarship may be reviewed periodically depending on the student’s progress, music leadership and school involvement.

Music scholars typically become leaders in the musical life of the School. They participate fully in a range of appropriate ensembles throughout their time at Meriden and usually study Music as an elective subject from Year 9 to the HSC.

The standard for a Music Scholarship at Meriden is very high. Please read the eligibility and application requirements prior to completing your application.

The closing date for applications is Friday, 10 February 2017.

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**ELIGIBILITY**

Scholarship applicants must be permanent residents of Australia. Students who are on student visas are ineligible for a Scholarship at Meriden.

**Year 7 Music Scholarship**

Girls enrolled in Year 6 in 2017 who meet the following minimum criteria:

- **Strings:** AMEB Grade 5 or equivalent
- **Woodwind:** AMEB Grade 3 or equivalent
- **Brass:** AMEB Grade 3 or equivalent
- **Piano:** AMEB Grade 6 or equivalent
- **Voice:** AMEB Grade 3 or equivalent

**Note:** Girls who play bassoon, viola, double bass, French horn, trombone and tuba at a sufficiently high standard may be given priority in the allocation of auditions.

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**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

Each applicant must submit an application form together with the following documents by Friday, 10 February 2017.

- a personal letter which outlines the student’s musical and other experiences, interests and goals including leadership achievements and community involvement
- most recent AMEB practical exam result sheet (or equivalent)
- most recent AMEB theory/musicianship exam result sheet (if attempted)
- most recent school music report
- adjudicator’s marks and comments from recent eisteddfods and competitions (if applicable)
- a letter of reference from instrumental or vocal teacher
- a letter of reference from the conductor of any music ensembles of which the student is a member
- a certified copy of the student’s birth certificate
- a copy of the student’s immunisation history from Medicare Australia
- most recent school report
- most recent NAPLAN results
Auditions will be held at Meriden on 22 and 23 February 2017. Each audition will take approximately 15 minutes during which candidates must present the following material:

– two contrasting prepared pieces. In the case of girls auditioning on two instruments, or one instrument and voice, one piece for each will suffice. (It is recommended that girls audition on their best instrument only.)

– sight reading as set by the auditioning panel

– an aural test, similar to those used by the AMEB

Accompanists
Auditions must be accompanied. Candidates may bring their own accompanist or use the School’s accompanist. If using the School’s accompanist, music must be submitted to the Music Department one week prior to the day of the audition.

Photocopies
Candidates are asked to be aware of the law in regard to photocopied music. No copies are permitted for the audition, either for the candidate or for the accompanist. Only purchased original music may be used.

Important Information about the Audition
1. An application for a Music Scholarship will not automatically result in an audition and no refund will be given.

2. An audition will be granted on the basis of the information supplied in the application and supporting documents.

3. Those girls who are granted an audition will be notified by Wednesday, 15 February 2017.

4. The auditioning panel may choose to hear only part of prepared pieces.

APPLICATION FEE
A non-refundable application fee of $130 applies to all applications. Payment must be made with your application form, in order for your application to proceed.

HOW TO APPLY
Complete the application form and forward with your payment to:

The Registrar
Meriden
10-12 Redmyre Road
Strathfield NSW 2135
(PO Box 78, Strathfield NSW 2135)

Your documents must be submitted with the application form.

If you are applying for both the Academic and Music Scholarships, separate applications must be made.
Candidates applying for a Music Scholarship only do not need to sit the Academic Scholarship test. Application for an Academic Scholarship must be made on-line via the Meriden website on www.meriden.nsw.edu.au

CLOSING DATE  Friday, 10 February 2017

KEY DATES
Closing date for applications and supporting documents  Friday, 10 February 2017
Notification of audition by   Wednesday, 15 February 2017
Audition (if notified)  Wednesday, 22 February 2017 or Thursday, 23 February 2017

If you require further information about Music at Meriden or assistance with your Scholarship application, please contact Mrs Gina Malley, Registrar, on (02) 9752 9444.
## Music Scholarship Application for entry in 2018

### PLEASE USE BLOCK LETTERS

#### YEAR OF ENTRY

I wish to apply for a Music Scholarship at Meriden for entry in: **YEAR 7, 2018**

#### APPLICANT DETAILS

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#### DETAILS OF MUSICAL ABILITY

Your principal instrument/voice is: ____________

Provide details of your most recent AMEB examination, including year, grade and results: ____________

Do you play other instruments? If so, please give details: ____________

Provide details of your current instrument/voice teacher:

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Provide details of awards that you have received for your musical ability: ____________

#### DECLARATION

I hereby apply for a Music Scholarship for the above student at Meriden. I understand that acceptance of this application form does not constitute an offer of a scholarship. I authorise Meriden to contact the student’s instrument/voice teacher if deemed necessary in relation to the application.

**SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN** ____________

**DATE** 20

#### PAYMENT METHOD

A fee of 1% applies to credit card payments.

**CHEQUE**

I enclose a cheque made payable to MERIDEN for the sum of $130.

**CREDIT CARD**

Please debit my credit card for the sum of $130

- Visa
- Mastercard
- American Express

**CARD NUMBER** ____________

**EXPIRY** ____________

**NAME ON CARD** ____________

**DATE** 20

**CARDHOLDER’S SIGNATURE** ____________