



Performing Arts Scholarships 2028

(Music | Dance | Drama)

Ballarat Grammar offers Performing Arts Scholarships to students who demonstrate outstanding talent and a strong commitment to the performing arts. These scholarships support students in developing their skills and contributing to the vibrant arts community at the School.

Eligibility

Open to students entering Years 7 to 11 in 2028.

Scholarship Benefits

- A percentage reduction in tuition fees for a set period or until the end of Year 12 (depending on the scholarship awarded).
- **Music Scholarships** include a **30-minute instrumental lesson per week** (up to 9 lessons per term) on one instrument, taught by a Ballarat Grammar or approved external teacher.

Opportunities in the Performing Arts

Students may engage in a wide range of programs, including:

- VCE Music
- VCE Theatre Studies
- VCE Dance
- VCE VET Music
- School Musical and Production
- Specialist workshops and performance opportunities

Instrumental Requirements

- A **minimum of three years' experience** on the instrument is expected or a **teacher's reference or recommendation** is required.
- **Pianists** should be at least **AMEB Grade 5** or equivalent.
- More than one instrument may be presented at the audition.

Specialist Scholarships

- **Don Huntley Memorial Scholarship:** For exceptional pianists (AMEB Grade 7+).
- **Pipe Organ Scholarship:** Open to students interested in learning the pipe organ (experienced pianists preferred).

Digital Folio Requirements

1. A **video audition** (2-minutes) showcasing technical and performance ability.
2. A named **digital PDF** outlining training, achievements, and experience in Music, Dance or Drama/Theatre

Discipline-specific requirements:

- **Music:** 2-minute performance video + CV
- **Drama:** 2-minute monologue or performance video + CV
- **Dance:** 2-minute dance performance video + CV

Important: At the start of your video, clearly state your **full name, age**, and the **scholarship you are applying for**.

Shortlist Auditions

Shortlisted applicants will be invited to a second-round audition and interview (date to be advised). Requirements include:

- **An additional 2-minute audition piece** in your chosen discipline.
- **An interview**, where you'll present a **folio** of your work and discuss:
 - Your creative process and techniques
 - Inspirations and influences
 - Goals and aspirations in the performing arts

It is important to be able to explain your thought process, the techniques you use and what inspires you.

How to Apply

1. Complete the Edutest registration process for Performing Arts Dance and/or Drama and/or Music Scholarship
2. A separate registration is required for each scholarship type
3. Submit your digital folio (PDF) of creative work (as outlined above) to the Edutest Portal **by Wednesday, 14 October 2026**
4. Complete payment of the \$60 application fee
5. For additional information contact Scholarships@bgs.vic.edu.au or phone 03 5338 0830

Applications close: Wednesday, 14 October 2026

