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# **CHUNG CHENG HIGH SCHOOL (MAIN)**





# MUSIC SPECIAL PROGRAMME (MuSP)

# & ENHANCED MUSIC PROGRAMME (EMP)

#### Introduction to the school

Chung Cheng High School (Main) [CCHM] is committed to developing students as all-round individuals. Guided by the school's vision 'Institution of Eminence, Generations of Leaders; Grounded in Values, Global in Outlook', CCHM is constantly striving to enrich and refine our students' learning experiences by bringing to students the best of Eastern and Western cultures. The school has been offering the Enhanced Music Programme since 2011.

# **CCA** programmes

The school has a strong commitment to the learning of aesthetics. It has 8 aesthetics co-curricular activities (CCAs) namely – Chinese Orchestra, Concert Band, Choir, Modern Dance, English Drama, Chinese Drama, Chinese Calligraphy and Brush Painting, and Art & Crafts.

## Music Special Programme (MuSP)

#### Who is it for?

The Music Special Programme (MuSP) is a special development programme for Sec 1 & 2 students to develop passion and talent in music. It also serves as a preparatory programme for those students who intend to take Music/Higher Music as a GCE O-Level subject.

MUSP is designed as a preparatory programme for the GCE O-Level Music/Higher Music course. Currently, at the lower secondary levels, it is **not** part of the overall assessment of 100% which is tied to the passing criteria to the next level.

Given the time and resources invested in the programme, it is generally expected for the student to remain in MuSP and to continue with FMP.

#### **Pre-requisites**

Students should have strong interest in music learning and motivation to join the Music Performing Arts CCAs. Any other musically-related experiences undertaken at the primary school level or outside of school will also be relevant in the application to the programme.

#### Information regarding Classes

Music lessons will be 2 hours per fortnightly. Lessons are held outside the curriculum time.

#### What does the programme cover?

The programme covers listening skills, performance skills, and music composition and music history. It aims to provide a strong foundation to students to meet the demands of the GCE O-Level Music/Higher Music. Assessment is by tests, practical and listening examination and daily assignments. Additionally, students will have opportunities to attend concerts, perform and enjoy music workshops.

#### Instruments

There is no restriction to the type of musical instruments that students can offer. Students are strongly advised to continue with their private lessons with their instrumental teachers after joining MuSP.

#### **CCA** participation

To maximise their musical learning, students are strongly encouraged to join any of the Music Performing Arts CCAs in school. The Music CCAs offered are Chinese Orchestra, Concert Band, and Choir.

## **ENHANCED Music Programme**

#### Who is it for?

The Enhanced Music Programme (EMP) is a 2-year programme to prepare Sec 3 & 4 students who intend to take Music/Higher Music as a GCE O-Level examination subject.

#### **Pre-requisites**

Selection for EMP and GCE O-Level Course will be based on musical concepts and skills covered in the Primary and Lower Secondary Music syllabuses, with a competent level of performance skills developed through music CCAs (e.g. display fluency and sound fundamental technique) and/or through other musical experiences. Students will need to pass a MOE music written test and audition conducted at Sec 2. The test and audition is usually conducted in August annually.

#### Information regarding classes

Lessons will total 3.5 hours per week held during curriculum time.

#### What does the programme cover?

The programme covers the study of Western Classical music, Asian music, Popular Music, Jazz, and music of multi-media. Students will learn listening skills, performance skills and music composition and music technology. Students will also participate in Asian music workshops, music camp and other activities. Assessment is by listening, practical and coursework examination.







#### **GCE O-Level Music/Higher Music**

All music students take an 8-subject combination in Chung Cheng. Higher Music is offered to students who are able to cope with their academic load. To offer Higher Music, students will need to offer an Additional study — a task that is over and above what is required in GCE O-Level Music. The task can come in the form of an essay or composition task or recital. At the end of the Sec 3, students will decide in consultation with their music teachers and parents regarding the decision to take Music or Higher Music at the GCE O-Level examination.