MOST 2027 TEACHER FAQ

MOST (**M**usically **O**utstanding **St**udents) is a biennial residential music program for up to 80 outstanding instrumental music students from Queensland state secondary schools. Here's what you need to know before nominating students.

1 What is the coordinating teacher's role?

Each participating school nominates one coordinating teacher to manage nominations, support students with audition requirements, confirm principal endorsement and ensure required documentation is submitted by the deadlines. Responsibilities end at the conclusion of Term 1.

2 Do coordinating teachers need to attend MOST?

No. Coordinating teachers and residential staff have separate roles. Teachers interested in working at the residential program must apply through the formal Expression of Interest process.

3 How are regional students supported?

The Department books and pays for all regional students' return travel to Brisbane. Regional students travel on Wednesday 23 June 2027, ahead of the program commencing on Thursday 24 June.

4 How do I know if my student is ready for MOST?

Look for students who enjoy a musical challenge, demonstrate strong instrumental skills and are keen to learn and grow as musicians. Students should meet the minimum audition level for their instrument and be ready to take part in an intensive program of rehearsals, workshops and performances. They should also be willing to work collaboratively and learn from professional conductors and tutors. Meeting the minimum audition level does not guarantee selection, as places are limited and ensemble requirements are also considered.

5 How are students selected, and what support is available?

Auditions are assessed by instrument-specific auditioners and moderated by an industry professional. Selection considers audition performance, instrumental proficiency and ensemble requirements.

Parents and guardians should contact the MOST Program Manager about individual medical, accessibility, wellbeing or accommodation needs following audition outcomes.

6 What if a student needs additional support?

We want all students to feel supported and able to make the most of their MOST experience. If a student has medical, dietary, accessibility, wellbeing or accommodation needs, please contact the MOST Program Manager.
Parent/guardians should also contact the Program Manager following audition outcomes so individual circumstances can be discussed and appropriate arrangements considered.

7 What are the key dates?

- 19 February 2027: Nominations and audition footage due
- 17 March 2027: Audition outcomes communicated to coordinating teachers
- 25 March 2027: Acceptances due
- 24 May 2027: Participation fee due
- 24 June – 1 July 2027: Residential program
- 30 June 2027: Gala Concert

8 More information?

Visit the MOST website for the full participation guidelines, audition requirements and further information.

Questions? Contact the MOST Program Manager at most.program@qed.qld.gov.au or 0472 821 281.