

2026 HONOURS PROGRAMS

REGIONAL PROGRAMS			NOMINATION CRITERIA		
Program	Program Dates	Nominations due	Year Level suited to	Instrumental	Vocal nominations
North Queensland (NQ) Venue (tbc)	March 6 - 8	October 20 (2025)	Years 6 - 12	AMEB 4 - 7	Mid to high level choral experience
Darling Downs (DD) Held at Centenary Heights SHS	March 13 - 15	October 20 (2025)	Years 6 - 12	AMEB 4 - 7	Mid to high level choral experience
Sunshine Coast (SC) Held at Chancellor SC, Sippy	March 20 - 22	October 20 (2025)	Years 6 - 12	AMEB 4 - 7	Mid to high level choral experience
Rockhampton (MSR) Held at Nth Rockhampton SHS	March 27 - 29	October 20 (2025)	Years 5 - 10	AMEB 2 - 4	Member of school or external choir
Capricornia (CAP) Held at Nth Rockhampton SHS	May 15 - 17	February 23	Years 6 - 12	AMEB 4 - 7	Mid to high level choral experience
Townsville (MST) Held at Ryan Catholic College	June 12 - 14	March 9	Years 5 - 10	AMEB 2 - 4	Member of school or external choir
Bundaberg (MSB) Held at Bundaberg Christian	June 19 - 21	March 9	Years 5 - 10	AMEB 2 - 4	Member of school or external choir
Cairns (MSC) Venue TBC	August 7 - 9	May 5	Years 5 - 10	AMEB 2 - 4	Member of school or external choir
Mackay (MSM) Held at Mackay Nth SHS	August 28 - 30	May 24	Years 5 - 10	AMEB 2 - 4	Member of school or external choir
Longreach (LRE) Held at Longreach SS/SHS	October 9 - 11	June 22	Years 4 - 9	AMEB 1 - 3	Member of school or external choir
Maryborough (MBH) Held at Maryborough SHS	October 16 - 18	June 22	Years 4 - 9	AMEB 1 - 3	Member of school or external choir
Toowoomba (TWB) Held at Rangeville SS	November 6 - 8	July 27	Years 4 - 6	AMEB 1 - 3	Member of school or external choir

BRISBANE BASED PROGRAMS			NOMINATION CRITERIA		
Program	Program Dates	Nominations due	Who can nominate?	Instrumental	Vocal nominations
Primary (PRM) Primary school students who are at AMEB 4 and above should be nominated for SHEP Sth-East QLD. Nominations for SHEP Primary open in term 2	November 28 - 29	Nominations Open: June Nominations Close: July 27	Schools in Brisbane Metro, SEQ incl Gold Coast, Sunshine Coast	Years 4 - 6: AMEB 1 - 3	Member of school or external choir
South-East QLD (SEQ) This program is suited typically to students in years 7 - 10 and primary school students in years 5 and 6 who are playing at AMEB 4 or 5	July 9 - 11	March 2	Schools in Brisbane Metro, SEQ incl Gold Coast, Sunshine Coast, Darling Downs	Years 7 - 10: AMEB 2 - 4 Years 5 & 6: AMEB 4 - 5	Years 7 - 8: Member of school or external choir, choir experience expected Year 6: minimum of AMEB 1
Brisbane (BNE) SHEP Brisbane is typically suited to students in years 7 - 12 who are playing at AMEB 5 - 6 standard and year 6 students who are at AMEB 6 and year 5 students who are at AMEB 7. This program is available to schools within Brisbane Metro, SEQ and Gold Coast	May 29 - 31	March 2	Schools in Brisbane Metro, SEQ incl Gold Coast	Years 7 - 12: AMEB 5 - 6 Years 6: AMEB 6 Year 5: AMEB 7	Years 9 - 10: mid level choral experience Years 7 & 8: minimum of AMEB 2 or auditioned choir
Queensland (QLD) SHEP QLD is typically for senior school students. Year 6 students will be considered for a place if their AMEB is 7 or above.	October 1 - 4	March 2	All schools within QLD	Years 7 - 12: AMEB 5 & above Year 6: AMEB 7 & above	Years 10 - 12: high level choral experience Years 7 - 9 Minimum of AMEB 3 or auditioned choir
AHEP (AHEP) AHEP is typically for senior school students. Year 6 students wishing to audition will need to be at minimum of AMEB 7 or above	Sept 30 - Oct 3	February 16	All schools Australia wide	Year 7 - 12: AMEB 6 & above Year 6: AMEB 7 & above	Years 9 - 12 AMEB 4 or auditioned choir