



MUSIC BTEC **Tech Award in Music Practice**



Examination Board:

Edexcel

Assessment:

100% Non examined assessment

What Will You Learn?

Component 1- Exploring Music Products and Styles

Students will explore different styles and genres of music, take part in practical workshops to understand stylistic features and characteristics.

Outcome- Students will then perform their own version of an existing piece of music through research, rehearsals, and review. This will be performed to a small audience.

Component 2- Music Skills Development.

Students will reflect on their progress and on areas for improvement. They will choose a job role and explore the skills needed to fulfil it. They will develop a range of skills and apply these techniques through music performance or production.

Outcome- Students will create and record a piece of music through the use of music technology as part of their own composition.

Component 3- Responding to a Commercial Music Brief.

Choose an area of the industry that you like (composer, performer or producer) Explore a brief and come up with possible ideas and responses. Use relevant resources, skills and techniques to develop and refine musical material.

Outcome- Students will present their final response as a solo or group. They will evaluate their efforts through a review and reflection on their approach to the unit.

Who Is This Course For? (This Will Suit You If...)

This is a course for anyone who is passionate about this area of the Arts. It suits experienced musicians who wish to refine their performance skills and develop their creative capabilities as well as less experienced musicians who are committed to developing their musical abilities also do well. Your performance skills may be supported through instrumental lessons, this is something that can be arranged within school with support of the Solihull Music Service.*

*Instrumental lessons are school funded for Pupil Premium students. Please see Miss Rafferty for more details.

If you have an interest in music production or music technology, you can complete this course with this as your focus.

What Happens When You Finish? (Career Pathway)

A large number of our students go on to study Music or Performing Arts at Sixth Form or College. Students can also follow the BTEC route by completing the Level 3 qualification in Music or Music Technology.

Having music on your subjects list when you leave school will tell your employer/college many things about you. It will show you have developed the following skills.

- Teamwork
- Dedication
- Perseverance
- Communication
- Leadership
- Confidence
- Creativity
- Self-discipline

Students on the music course will also have the opportunity to attend and potentially perform at the many trips that are run as a Music Department.

In the past students have performed at the following venues

- The Cavern Club in Liverpool
- Abbey Road in London

We have also run trips abroad in the past to New York (residential) and London (Theatre trip), choir and ensemble trips to Royal Albert Hall, Wembley Arena, Symphony Hall in Birmingham.