

AMEB (NSW) 2026 Exam dates

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VIDEO – MUSIC and DRAMA & COMM GRADES (Intro, P Plate, Prelim, 1-8)					
Exam session		Enrolment opening dates	Enrolment closing dates	Video submission due	Late enrolments
20	Video exam 1st session Repertoire exams only (No Certificate of Performance or diplomas)	Wed 28 Jan	Tue 9 Jun	Within 21 days of enrolment	Not accepted
21	Video exam 2nd session Repertoire exams only (No Certificate of Performance or diplomas)	Wed 29 Jul	Thu 1 Oct	Within 21 days of enrolment	Close Wed 14 Oct (\$65 per exam)

FACE-TO-FACE – METRO GRADES (P Plate, Prelim, 1-8, Certificate)					
Exam session		Enrolment opening dates	Enrolment closing dates	Exam dates	Last date for 50% refund
66	Metro 1st session (All instruments including speech & drama, harp, percussion and organ) AMEB venues – all grades and diplomas	Wed 28 Jan	Tue 3 Mar	Mon 27 Apr – Sat 13 Jun	Mon 9 Mar
06	Metro 1st session (All instruments including speech & drama, harp, percussion and organ) Non-AMEB venues – all grades	SAME DATES AS SERIES 66 non-AMEB venues – please select series 06 to enrol			
33	Metro music 2nd session Sydney metro (including Penrith) AMEB venues: Clarence St, Sydney Con & The Joan (Penrith) – all grades Period 1: 2000 – 2071 postcodes Period 2: 2072 – 2112 postcodes Period 3: 2113 – 2143 postcodes Period 4: 2144 – 2200 postcodes Period 5: 2201 – 2999 postcodes	Tue 31 Mar Tue 31 Mar Tue 31 Mar Tue 31 Mar Tue 31 Mar	Period-to-period transfers close Tue 16 Jun Tue 16 Jun Tue 30 Jun Tue 4 Aug Tue 18 Aug Tue 1 Sep	Fri 7 Aug – Mon 31 Aug Fri 21 Aug – Sat 26 Sep Sat 10 Oct – Mon 2 Nov Fri 23 Oct – Mon 16 Nov Mon 2 Nov – Mon 7 Dec	Fri 19 Jun Fri 3 Jul Sat 22 Aug Fri 4 Sep Mon 14 Sep
03	Metro music 2nd session Sydney metro (including Penrith) Non-AMEB venues – all grades	SAME DATES AS SERIES 33 non-AMEB venues – please select series 03 to enrol			
09	Percussion Non-AMEB venues and Sydney Con all grades	Tue 31 Mar	Tue 18 Aug	Sat 10 Oct – Sat 5 Dec	Sat 22 Aug
30	Harp and organ Non-AMEB venues and Sydney Con all grades	Tue 31 Mar	Tue 18 Aug	Sat 10 Oct – Sat 31 Oct	Sat 22 Aug
10	Metro speech & drama 2nd session (including Wollongong and Newcastle, subject to sufficient enrolments) Period 1: 2000 – 2109 postcodes Period 2: 2110 – 2180 postcodes Period 3: 2181 – 2999 postcodes	Tue 31 Mar Tue 31 Mar Tue 31 Mar	All period-to-period transfers close Tue 30 Jun Tue 30 Jun Tue 11 Aug Tue 1 Sep	Sat 29 Aug – Sat 26 Sep Sat 10 Oct – Sat 7 Nov Sat 31 Oct – Sat 5 Dec	Sat 11 Jul Sat 22 Aug Sat 12 Sep

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FACE-TO-FACE – DIPLOMAS (Associate and Licentiate)				
Exam session	Enrolment opening dates	Enrolment closing dates	Exam dates	Last date for 50% refund
66 Metro diploma 1st session (All instruments, speech & drama) AMEB Clarence Street only	Wed 28 Jan	Tue 3 Mar	Mon 27 Apr – Sat 13 Jun	Mon 9 Mar
04 Metro diploma 2nd session (All instruments, teaching subjects) Associate diplomas Licentiate diplomas AMEB Clarence Street only	Tue 31 Mar Tue 31 Mar	Tue 7 Jul Tue 7 Jul	Sat 12 Sep – Sat 10 Oct Sat 12 Sep – Sat 31 Oct	Sat 25 Jul Sat 25 Jul
02 Regional AMusA only (All instruments, subject to sufficient enrolments)	SAME DATES AS REGIONAL 1ST SESSION 02 (below) (Subject to venue availability and sufficient enrolments)			

FACE-TO-FACE – REGIONAL NSW (Intro, P Plate, Prelim, 1-8, Certificate, AMusA)				
Exam session	Enrolment opening dates	Enrolment closing dates	Exam dates	Last date for 50% refund
02 Regional 1st session (All instruments, speech & drama, AMusA if sufficient numbers – subject to venue availability) Period 1: Central Coast & South Coast Period 2: Newcastle & Maitland Period 3: Wollongong Period 4: North, North Coast, West, South	Tue 10 Feb Tue 10 Feb Tue 10 Feb Tue 10 Feb	Tue 7 Apr Tue 21 Apr Tue 21 Apr Tue 12 May	Tues 9 Jun – Fri 3 Jul Mon 15 Jun – Sat 4 Jul Thu 18 Jun – Fri 26 Jun Mon 20 Jul – Thu 20 Aug	Tue 21 Apr Mon 27 Apr Thu 30 Apr Mon 1 Jun
08 Regional 2nd session (Piano and speech & drama – P Plate to Certificate of Performance only) Period 1: Wollongong* Period 3: Newcastle and Central Coast	Tue 31 Mar Tue 31 Mar	Tue 28 Jul Tue 25 Aug	Mon 21 Sep – Fri 25 Sep Mon 26 Oct – Sat 31 Oct	Mon 3 Aug Mon 7 Sep

* Exams in Wollongong are only available for enrollers who live south of Waterfall in the Wollongong area.

FACE-TO-FACE – CANBERRA (Intro, P Plate, Prelim, 1-8, Certificate, AMusA)				
Exam session	Enrolment opening dates	Enrolment closing dates	Exam dates	Last date for 50% refund
02 Canberra 1st session (Period 1) (All instruments, speech & drama, AMusA if sufficient numbers – subject to venue availability)	Tue 10 Feb	Tue 7 Apr	Tue 9 Jun – Fri 3 Jul	Tue 21 Apr
08 Canberra 2nd session (Period 2) (Piano and speech & drama – P Plate to Certificate of Performance only)	Tue 31 Mar	Tue 18 Aug	Mon 19 Oct – Sat 24 Oct	Mon 31 Aug

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ROCKSCHOOL					
VIDEO					
Exam session		Enrolment opening dates	Enrolment closing dates	Video submission due	Late enrolments
81	Rockschool video 1st session	Wed 28 Jan	Tue 9 Jun	Within 21 days of enrolment	Not accepted
82	Rockschool video 2nd session	Wed 29 Jul	Thu 1 Oct	Within 21 days of enrolment	Close Wed 14 Oct (\$65 per exam)
FACE-TO-FACE					
Exam session		Enrolment opening dates	Enrolment closing dates	Exam dates	Last date for 50% refund
80	Rockschool 1st session	Wed 28 Jan	Tue 3 Mar	Sat 9 May – Sat 13 Jun	Sat 21 Mar
85	Rockschool 2nd session	Tue 31 Mar	Tue 11 Aug	Sat 10 Oct – Sat 5 Dec	Sat 22 Aug
WRITTEN					
Exam session		Enrolment opening dates	Enrolment closing dates	Exam dates	Last date for 50% refund
90	Online written	Always open	Always open	Within 12 months of date of enrolment	N/A
50	Diploma (on application) In person	Wed 28 Jan	Tue 11 Aug	Minimum 6 weeks after enrolment, exam must be completed by 30 Oct	N/A
05	Music craft (grade 5 & 6 only) In person	Tue 31 Mar	Tue 7 Jul	Wed 19 Aug	N/A

Important information for all exams

- Exam dates to avoid must be provided when filling in the 'scheduling request' section of your AMEB (NSW) exam enrolment. If you have further dates to avoid after submitting an enrolment, a scheduling request form must be submitted before dates are released (additional fees apply).
- Enrollers will receive an email notification three to four weeks prior to the scheduled face-to-face exam date. Scheduling details are also visible on AMEB Connect in real time.
- AMEB (NSW) schedules exams Monday to Saturday (no Sunday exams). Requests for exams on Saturdays cannot be guaranteed.
- AMEB (NSW) exams may be scheduled during school holidays and on long weekends that fall within the exam period.
- Where accepted, a late fee of \$65 per exam per enrolment will be charged for enrolments received after the closing date for all face-to-face exams and video second sessions (21, 82) only.
- Exams held in series 03 and series 33 are scheduled according to the enroller's residential postcode.
- It is not possible under any circumstances to transfer a student's exam from one calendar year to the next.
- Exams in Wollongong are only available for enrollers who live south of Waterfall.
- Video links must be submitted within 21 days from the enrolment date. More information is on our website.
- AMEB venues include 117 Clarence Street Sydney, Sydney Conservatorium of Music, JMC Academy Ultimo and The Joan (Penrith).
- Non-AMEB venues include teacher private studios, schools, regional conservatoriums and other community venues organised by enrollers. For more information and to apply, read the [External Venues Policy](#) on our website.
- Please see our website www.ameb.nsw.edu.au/about-us/policies for examination policies.