

**Course outline**

The course aims to provide students with the relevant skills and knowledge that employers value, as well as the confidence to progress into a fulfilling, exciting career in the music industry. BTEC assignments offer learners the opportunity to demonstrate their learning in a real-life context. Students work on assignments in a variety of ways; some they complete on their own, and for others they work as part of a team.

**Assessment**

Learners must complete **four** components or units.

	<b>Weighting</b>	<b>Assessment</b>
1. <b>The Music Industry</b>	25%	Written Exam
2. <b>Managing a Music Product</b>	25%	Coursework
3. <b>Introducing to Music Composition</b>	25%	Coursework
4. <b>Introducing to Live Performing</b>	25%	Coursework

A BTEC in Music is a great choice for students looking for a **practical, vocational** qualification. Practical means you will be **DOING** music, not just studying it, However, there is a written element to each unit to provide the examiner with evidence that practical work has been completed.

**You will need to play an instrument and you will be using music technology.**

Vocational means it is designed to prepare you for **working** in the music industry.

**GCSE or BTEC Music is the option for you if:**

- *You enjoy making and exploring music.*
- *And/or you have an ability in the subject.*
- *And you are prepared to work hard to develop your knowledge and skills in the music industry.*
- *And you are willing to work independently, driving your own learning and rehearse/practice in your own time.*

Please note, only one Music course will run next year – either GCSE Music or BTEC. However, there is significant overlap between the two courses, and the school will select the course most in demand and most suitable for the students opting in each case.