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Dear Music Teacher,

As examiners from overseas Boards will be unable to travel to NZ because of the imposed travel ban in view of Covid-19 sweeping the world, the NZMEB would like to offer music teachers the opportunity to enter your students in our standard practical exam on the following instruments: -

- Piano, Violin, Viola, Cello, Flute, Clarinet, Oboe, Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone, Singing and Musical Theatre **at all grades and Diplomas.**
- Recorder to **Grade 4.**
- Chamber Music/ Ensembles.



Entrants can use the repertoire and technical work they are currently learning for other International Examination Boards. However, your students will need to use the NZMEB Musical Knowledge and Musicianship requirements, details of which can be found on our website www.nzmeb.org.

NZMEB holds two practical examination sessions each year, these are August 1 to 31 and December 1 to 18. Due to covid-19 restrictions the August exams will be pushed out a month to September – details on our website – and December exams will at this stage go ahead as planned.

If you feel it would be beneficial for your students to continue with their learning plan to have a practical examination, please, take this opportunity to enter your students. When you take up this offer on the online entry form there will be space for you to name the examining Board your student is currently preparing repertoire and technical work for. This will enable our examiners to be prepared and aware of the technical work being presented. In addition to the original music a copy of the repertoire played must be handed to the examiner at the beginning of the exam.

As NZMEB is New Zealand's only recognised independent music examination Board approved and accredited by NZQA to assess NCEA at Levels 1, 2 and 3, we do offer our entrants this additional assessment when sitting an NZMEB examination (minimum level required is NZMEB Grade 3).

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Pauline Alexander'.

PAULINE ALEXANDER

New Zealand Music Examinations Board