



## Administrative Procedures

<b>AP-604</b>  INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC INSTRUCTION	<b>Date of implementation:</b> Fall 2006 <b>Date of update:</b> December 4, 2019
	<b>Related Administrative Procedures:</b> <a href="#">AP-417 Student Fees</a> <a href="#">AP-423 Extra-Curricular Activities</a>

**Purpose:** To outline the expectations and guidelines for instrumental music learning in Prairie Spirit schools.

### Procedures:

#### 1) Existing Programs

- a) Music education is required for all students in Kindergarten to Grade 9 as part of the Arts Education curriculum and will be supported at the school level.
- b) All students from Grades 5 to 12 may have the option of participating in an instrumental music/band program in schools where programs currently exist (Appendix A).
- c) Itinerant Music Education Facilitators are available to support programming at all schools.

#### 2) Program Description

- a) Music Instruction will follow Saskatchewan curricula.
  - i) Kindergarten to Grade 9 – Arts Education (music strand)
  - ii) Grades 10 to 12:
    - Various curricula, including Band, Music Education, Jazz, Choir, Guitar, Garageband and locally developed courses.

#### 3) Staffing

- a) Prairie Spirit will provide staffing to support instrumental music/band programming at schools identified in Appendix A.
- b) Music Education Facilitators will support music programming across the Division.

#### 4) Resources

- a) The Central Music Library will provide music education resources to all schools.

#### 5) New Instrumental Music/Band Programs

- a) New instrumental music/band programs may be developed in schools where there is support from the community.
  - b) New programs will be supported through existing school staffing.
  - c) The school will be responsible for all equipment and other costs associated with establishing the program.
  - d) In consultation with the Coordinator for Music Education, schools may decide to establish a mandatory band program that includes all students in selected grades.
- 6) In collaboration with the music teacher, the Principal shall be responsible for
- a) Promoting student participation:
    - i) Band students are required to attend Division rehearsals to have experience in ensemble playing and to obtain the necessary curriculum hours for credit.
    - ii) Band students are required to attend school-based classes.
    - iii) Teachers are encouraged to promote attendance at band and to provide accommodations for student when they miss their class to attend band.
    - iv) Teachers are encouraged to avoid scheduling field trips, extra-curricular events or major assessments on rehearsal days.
  - b) Scheduling
    - i) Band classes will be schedule in collaboration with school administration.
- 7) Travel/Band Trips
- a) The Division recognizes the value of music experience outside the Division. Band teachers will:
    - i) Work with the Band Parents Association to coordinate fundraising for trips.
    - ii) Follow Division procedures for out of province travel.
- 8) Supports Provided
- a) Music Education Facilitators help foster the continued growth of music education, musical opportunities and build capacity in teachers who are assigned to teach the music strand of the Arts Education curriculum in Kindergarten to Grade 9, and/or those teaching Music 10/20/30 and related credits at the high school level through:
    - Co-teaching
    - Professional development
    - Building partnerships

- Consulting on program development and purchasing

9) Access to Instruments

a) Private rentals/purchase

- i) Families are encouraged to purchase or rent instruments for instrumental music/band programs.

b) Division-owned instruments

- i) The Division will provide instruments for loan, at a reduced or no cost, to students and families where private rental is a barrier to participation in the program.

10) Band Parents Association

a) Role and responsibilities

- i) The Band Parents Association will support the work of the band teacher in the areas of:

- Fundraising
- Communication
- Volunteering

- ii) The Band Parents Association will develop a constitution.

b) Accounts

- i) Band Parents Association funds will be held at on one of the Prairie Spirit schools.

c) Annual Meeting

- i) Band Parents Association will hold an annual meeting where elections will be held for all positions.

- ii) An annual statement of accounts will be presented at the annual meeting.



# Instrumental Music Programs

## Appendix A

### AP-604 Instrumental Music Instruction

Following is a list of schools where Division supported instrumental music programming is offered in 2019/20:

Aberdeen Composite School

Hanley Composite School

Allan Composite School

Langham Elementary School

Borden School

Lord Asquith School

Clavet Composite School

Perdue School

Dalmeny High School

South Corman Park School

Delisle Composite School

Vanscoy School

Delisle Elementary School

Walter W. Brown School (Langham)

Dundurn School