



VANCOUVER TECHNICAL SECONDARY SCHOOL
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Dear Parents/Guardians:

September 1, 2023

The Van Tech Music Program is pleased to announce our intention to venture to the Con Brio Whistler Music Festival for our annual Junior Music Tour. The tour is more than a visit to Whistler, it is a rich learning opportunity for our music students to become more confident students!

This tour will be comprised of the Beginning and Intermediate Concert Bands, the Junior String Orchestra and the Concert Choir.

Our proposed itinerary is attached for your review. A more detailed itinerary will be made available once the tour is confirmed. A parent information meeting may also be held in late January and will be confirmed closer to that time.

Thursday, May 2

TRAVEL/ACTIVITY DAY

- depart Van Tech for Whistler
- complete grocery shopping (students will have kitchen suites)
- evening activity arranged by our Senior Leaders

Friday, May 3

PERFORMANCE DAY

- attend two other groups' performances
- give our own performances
- limited time to explore the village with a Senior Leader
- First Nations cultural event and buffet dinner

Saturday, May 4

WORKSHOP DAY

- each group will attend their own "intensive" workshop
- attend additional performances
- enjoy the Festival Concert in the evening

Sunday, May 5

MASSED BAND/TRAVEL DAY

- participate in a massed band experience joining nearly 2000 students together into one ensemble
- return home to Van Tech in the afternoon

The cost for this trip will be a maximum of \$625. This includes all travel, accommodation, a food stipend, and festival registration. Additional spending money is suggested, but not required. The tour will be supervised by several teachers, alumni, and a group of student leaders. No student will be denied the opportunity to participate in this program because of an inability to pay this fee, as per VSB Financial Hardship Policy. Bursaries are available. Please contact Ms. Kilburn or Ms. Riegert (in confidence) for more information.

More information will be provided once a detailed itinerary is complete and participation is confirmed. Several fundraising initiatives will be organized through the music council and TeMPO. Please contact Ms. Kilburn or Ms. Riegert if you have any questions (akilburn@vsb.bc.ca & eariegert@vsb.bc.ca).

With thanks,

Elizabeth Riegert
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Director of Bands and Choirs

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Director of Bands and Orchestras



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2024 JUNIOR MUSIC TOUR PARTICIPATION FORM

Student Full/Legal Name: _____

Preferred Name: _____ Student Number: _____

Preferred Pronouns (circle): She/Her He/Him They/Them Other: _____

Tour Shirt Size - Polo (circle): S M L XL

Ensemble(s): Beginning Band Junior String Orchestra

Intermediate Concert Band Concert Choir

Instrument(s) and/or Voice Type: _____

Parent Permission & Commitment

I/We give permission for _____ to participate in the 2024 Junior Music Tour to Whistler, BC and have included a non-refundable deposit of \$200. We also understand that the remaining \$425 will be paid in two instalments on November 30 and January 25.

PRINT Parent Name

Parent SIGNATURE

PRINT Student Name

Student SIGNATURE

Parent Email Contact (most reliably checked):

School use/ teacher(s) USE ONLY PLEASE DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

	Processed by: (initial)	Date:	Cash/Cheque/ Online
School Field Studies Consent Form/Acknowledgment of Risk			
Medical/Emergency Consent			
Code of Conduct			
Covid Overnight Informed Consent			
Initial Deposit – October 4 th - \$200			
2 nd Payment – October 18 th - \$200			
Final Payment – November 1 st - \$225			