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Who We Are:

The Coalition for Music Education is a national organization dedicated to raising the awareness and understanding of the role that music education plays in Canadian culture, and to promoting the benefits that music education brings to young people. We envision Canada as a country where **the lives of all children are enriched by quality school music programs**, and where their active participation in music is valued and supported in our communities.



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MUSIC MAKES A DIFFERENCE

"Scientific research has proven that exposure to music helps develop brain synapses, creativity and math skills. As such, musical education in our schools is a right not a frill. Every child in Canada deserves to have this advantage"

– **Boris Brott**, OC

"In all the years I've been in education, I've never seen anything that can effect such a positive change in school culture so quickly as music."

- **Bob Schneider**, Principal, Davie Jones Elementary, Pitt Meadows, BC

"Music is an essential part of any education and should never be taken away or considered to be less important than reading or math. Music is the ideal springboard for creativity, an essential quality that I believe teachers and parents need to encourage in young minds."

- **Liona Boyd**, B.Mus

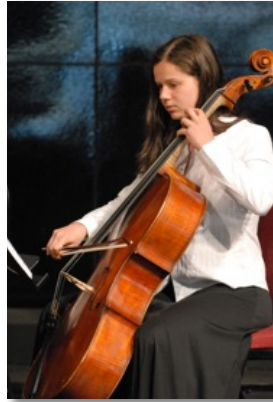
"As a principal I personally believe very strongly in the development of the whole child. This means academically, athletically and musically."

- **2010 Music in Schools Survey**
by the **Coalition for Music Education**

How can you help?

- visit our website to become informed.
- download resources to start a grassroots campaign
- participate in your local Music Monday
- encourage your area music teachers
- tell administrators how much you value music education
- support our work by making a donation on our website.

Resources



We provide our stakeholders with a wealth of resources, ideas and information to maximize the impact of advocacy efforts. Visitors to our website can download or order free resources to share; including booklets and pamphlets. These resources can help you promote music education, assess your music

program and facilitate advocacy and discussion.

FROM SIR KEN ROBINSON

"Creativity now is as important as literacy, and we should treat it with the same status."

Research



We are the only organization in Canada conducting national research about the status of music education in our schools. Our data provides important information to policy makers, advocates, teachers, administrators and parents. Our 2010 Survey revealed that funds are not keeping up with the demand for music

programs and that a fragile balance of supports is required to keep music education strong in our schools.

Music Monday



Music Monday is our national event that, on the first Monday of each May, provides a powerful way to demonstrate the importance of music education. Since 2005, Music Monday has enabled kids across the country to unite in the celebration of music, highlighting the importance

of music education to the community and the media.

Champions for Music Education



We're proud to have spokespeople from all walks of life who can testify to the power of music and the joy that music inspires in everyone. Our Champions include an astronaut, a senator, a prima ballerina, scientists and of course musicians, to name a few!

Principals of Music Awards

A successful music program is a balancing act requiring qualified teachers, resources, instruments in good repair and motivated students. Our Principals of Music Awards recognize the important role school administrators play in achieving this balance.