

Whistler Con Brio Music Tour Meeting!

April 18-21, 2024

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Territorial Acknowledgement

Tonight, we wish to recognize and acknowledge the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations, on whose traditional territories, we live, we learn, and we do our work.

We would also like to recognize and acknowledge the nations whose territories we will be visiting while on tour:

Whistler is located on the unceded territories of the Lil'wat Nation and Squamish Nation who have lived on these lands since time immemorial. Living and working in this place, colonially known as Whistler, is a gift that we share with both the Lilwat7úl and Skwxwú7mesh

Numbers

- We have 98 student participating in this year's tour!
- We have 8 chaperones (2 teachers, 6 fantastic parents)
- We are over the required adult to student ratio of 15:1 and we are at (nearly) 12:1.
 - More adults is better
 - It gives us security that if one parent has to drop out last minute, then we can still go and meet the required ratio.
- We have many adults with medical and first aid training on tour and a wealth of experience working with kids.

Code of Conduct. When we are on tour, students need to:

- Act as good ambassadors.
- 2. Stay in groups of at least 3 (when not with the group).
- 3. Follow any curfew/instructions.
- 4. Not use intoxicants of any kind.
- 5. Afford courtesy and respect to all persons encountered on the trip.
- 6. Inform a chaperone if they feel unwell or encounter any problems.
- 7. (Families need to) report any medical conditions to the trip supervisor before the trip starts.
- 8. Keep accommodations (hotels and busses) clean and free from damage.
- 9. Stay in their own rooms in hotels, unless given permission to go to a friend's room.

Budget and Finances

Item	Total Cost	Student Cost
Ellison Travel Cost Transportation, Hotels, Two Dinners, Sea to Sky Gondola, and Festival Fees.	\$75,851.39	\$758.51
Meals	\$16,000	\$160
Snacks/Supplies	\$1,500	\$15
Teachers on Call	\$1,000	\$10
Grand Total	\$94,351.99	\$943.51

Final Payment

The total cost for our tour is **\$950**. This amount pays for everything during the four days we are away including hotels, busses, activities, and food. The only thing that is not included in this amount is a packaged lunch on the first day, and possibly, a little spending money. Example:

• Total Cost: **\$950**

Amount Paid: \$850

• Amount Owing: \$100.00

Amount in Music Fundraising Account: \$80.00

If you use your fundraising account, the final amount you have owing is: \$20.00

Final payments are due by **on Friday (March 15)**. Important: The final payment is based on using as much as possible from your student fundraising account. If you do not want to use these funds, please email us and we will change the payment to reflect this.

Emergency Contact Information

- Although many of our students have cell phones, we will provide emergency contact information for while we are away. If you are in an emergency situation and need to contact your student and/or us, here is who to contact:
- During School Hours: Please contact Lansdowne Middle School and they will connect us (250)
 598-3336
- At Night: Please contact Whistler Pan Pacific (Mountainside) (604) 905-2999
 - Whistler Pan Pacific (Mountainside) is located at 4320 Sundial Crescent, Whistler, BC V8E
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Cell Phone Policy

Students that have cell phones are welcome to bring them on tour. Cell phones are a great way to stay in touch with family at home, can be helpful in down time, and are nice to have in the unlikely case of an emergency. Cell phones can also be distracting by taking students out of the present moment, leading them to miss wonderful moments while we are on tour, and keeping them up at night. We want to outline our expectations around phones while we are away.

• Cell phones can be used during the day, except when:

- We are performing or watching a performance (including setting-up and taking down)
- When are are eating a meal together (we want this to be positive, social time)
- When people are speaking to you (chaperones, friends, teachers, etc.)
- When we are doing an activity together
- Cell phones will be taken from students at lights out each night (exact time to be included in our final, detailed itinerary) and returned to them at breakfast in the morning.
 - Please remember that our hotel knows the room number of every student, parent chaperone, and teacher, and can connect you to us if needed.

Consent:

- We are going to practice photo/video consent while on tour. Simply put: Ask for permission before taking, sharing, sending, or editing a photo/video of someone.
- Just like when we are at Lansdowne, teachers can take cell phones away from students if they are a major issue.

Wellness on Tour

- Drinking water
- Eating food
- Sleeping
- Wearing appropriate clothing for the weather
- Down time
- Social Situations

Packing List

Instruments/Sheet Music

- 1. Instrument(s)
- Everything you need to play your instrument(s)
- Sheet music in Lansdowne Music folder

To be dropped off at the music room on Tuesday (April 17) after school!

Day Bag

- Packed lunch for the first day
- 2. Snacks
- Water bottle
- 4. Homework
- 5. Items to occupy yourself
- 6. Cell Phone/Charger/Headphones
- 7. Medications (you take during the day)
- 8. Cash/Debit Card
- 9. Sunglasses, sunscreen, hat

Suitcase

- Clothing for four days (incl. Clothes for warmer and colder/rainy days and your FULL Lansdowne Music Uniform).
- 2. Swim suit, towel, and bag
- 3. Toiletries
- 4. Medications (that you take at night)

We will label instruments and sheet music, but please label your suitcase and day bag!

Itinerary - Final, detailed itinerary is on its way!

Thursday, April 18

- Depart Lansdowne in the morning
- Travel to Whistler, BC
- Sea to Sky Gondola, Squamish
- Festival Student Welcome Activity

Friday, April 19

- Adjudicated performances and workshops
 - Tour Band: 1:40pm (Whistler Conference Centre Ballroom A)
 - Strings: 4:40pm (Westin Resort Ballroom B/C)
- Attend performances of other school groups
- Attend professional concert
- Free time in Whistler Village

Saturday, April 20

- Ensemble Intensives
- Massed Strings performance
- Con Brio Gala Festival Concert
- Free Time in Whistler Village

Sunday, April 21

- Massed Band Performance
- Travel Home
- Possible stop in Vancouver (TBD)

Thank you! Final Questions?

 As always, you are also welcome to email us if you have any questions or if questions come up between now and when we leave.

 I'm also happy to schedule a phone call if you have a question or concern that would benefit from a conversation.