



# **Junior Honour Band Information for Parents**

**Congratulations! Your child has been recommended by their music teacher/conductor to take part in one of the 2020 Alberta Junior Honour Band.**

**Southern Alberta Junior Honour Band  
Calgary  
February 12-14, 2020**

**Central Alberta Junior Honour Band  
Red Deer  
February 19-21, 2020**

**Northern Alberta Junior Honour Band  
Edmonton  
February 26-28, 2020**

There are three Alberta Junior Honour Bands — south, central and north. Held in conjunction with respective teachers' conventions in Calgary, Red Deer and Edmonton, the Junior Honour Bands provide an advanced performance experience for those students who demonstrate excellence in leadership, musicality and engagement in their home band programs. Leading music educators in the province guide the students through three days of fun and intensive rehearsals. The experience culminates in a concert performance that the students have prepared in rehearsal.

Admission to the Junior Honour Bands is made by music teacher/conductor recommendation. Selection of candidates is done by a panel of junior high and high school band specialists based on the recommendations and questionnaires. Once membership in the JHB has been established, parents/guardians will receive an email informing them as to whether or not their child has been selected for this year's ensemble. Parents of instrumentalists accepted into the Junior Honour Bands will be forwarded the link to an online registration form shortly after the membership roster has been announced.

**Instrumentalists selected for the 2020 Junior Honour Band program will be expected to attend all rehearsals and performances for their respective honour band. This will involve missing school for some students.**

**The Southern Alberta Junior Honour Band will take place February 12-14 in Calgary, the Central Alberta Junior Honour Band will take place in Red Deer February 19-21, and the Northern Alberta Junior Honour Band will take place February 26-28 in Edmonton.**

**It is our expectation that all accepted instrumentalists will practice their music so that they will know all notes, rhythms and fingerings prior to the first rehearsal.**

This year's guest conductor of the Southern Alberta Junior Honour Band is Rob Speers from Edmonton; the Central Alberta Junior Honour Band will be conducted by Brian Uzick from Calgary; and the Northern Alberta Junior Honour Band will be led by Nicole Haycock from Calgary.

The fee to participate in the Junior Honour Band is \$150. This includes one dinner in addition to music rental, a commemorative t-shirt, and program fees. Please note that it **does not include** accommodations or transportation.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Alberta Band Association office by email ([info@albertabandassociation.com](mailto:info@albertabandassociation.com)) or phone (780-800-0482 or toll free 1-877-687-4239). Thank you!



# Instrumentalist Questionnaire

**This form must be returned to your band teacher/conductor by November 15, 2019.**

Information collected on this form will be used solely for the Junior Honour Band selection process.

Please indicate your recommended band

- Southern Alberta Junior Honour Band
- Central Alberta Junior Honour Band
- Northern Alberta Junior Honour Band

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Instrumentalist Name                      Grade                      Instrument  
\*\*Percussionists should indicate if they play mallets, snare, and/or timpani

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Parent/Guardian Name                      Parent/Guardian Email Address

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Student Email Address                      Family Telephone Number

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Recommending School                      Music Teacher/Conductor Name

**What other bands have you played in?**

**For how many years have you played in band?**

**Do you play any other musical instruments or sing? Which instruments, and for how long?**

**Do you take private music lessons? What instruments (or voice) and for how long?**

**I approve my child's nomination to the Junior Honour Band and understand that if selected, my child will be expected to participate in all components of the Junior Honour Band program.**

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date