

# STURGEON COMPOSITE HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC

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SCHS OFFERS THE LARGEST  
SELECTION OF MUSIC  
COURSES OF ANY HIGH  
SCHOOL IN THE REGION.

BE A PART OF ONE OF THE  
FINEST HIGH SCHOOL  
MUSIC PROGRAMS IN  
WESTERN CANADA.

BE A PART OF A TRADITION  
OF  
*EXCELLENCE.*

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**Pursue excellence!**

**Make lasting memories!**

**Do something that matters!**

**Develop your lifelong talent!**

**Make music!**



The award winning  
SCHS Music program is  
renowned across  
Western Canada and  
internationally. Known  
for excellence in music  
education, the  
program provides a  
rich and rewarding  
musical experience as  
well as educational  
international travel to  
all who join.





## What We Offer

The SCHS Music program offers a wide variety of choices. There are courses for students with prior experience, and courses for students looking to study music for the first time. Current courses offered are:

### Instrumental Music 10/20/30 (Band)

- Students must have taken band in grade 9 or private lessons on a band instrument or studied piano.

### Choral Music 10/20/30 (Choir)

- Open to any student - no previous singing or musical experience required!

### General Music 10/20/30 (Guitar)

- Open to any student - no previous musical experience required!

### Instrumental Jazz 15/25/35 (Jazz Band)

- Students must have taken band in grade 9 or private lessons on a band instrument or studied piano.

### Vocal Jazz 15/25/35 (Vocal Jazz Ensemble)

- Students audition in the fall to sing in this group.

### Drum Line (extra-curricular)

- Open to any student wanting to learn and play!

AP Music Theory - new for the 2015 school year.

## Why Take Music?

Studying music at SCHS has many benefits:

- You develop a lifelong **talent**.
- It provides an **active** option in your day providing a break from core courses; it can actually help you be more **successful** in your core courses.
- You become part of a group of positive students who focus on **excellence** every day. Music students are a family!
- The music program provides a **safe and caring** place for all students.
- Many music students are also involved in our athletic programs; students don't have to choose one or the other.
- Band, Choir and General Music marks can be used for your **Rutherford Scholarship** for all 3 years of high school.
- You can use your **30** level Band, Choir or General Music mark as one of your 5 marks for many **post-secondary** programs.



**"Studying music strengthens students academic performance. Studies have indicated that sequential, skill-building instruction in art and music integrated with the rest of the curriculum can greatly improve...performance in reading and math."**

*Martin Gardiner, Alan Fox, Faith Knowles, and Donna Jeffrey, Learning Improved by Arts Training, Nature, May 23, 1996.*

## Testimonials

*"Looking back on gr. 10, I almost don't recognize myself as a musician! Music is a great chance to grow and develop as a person, even for students in athletics. I play volleyball and basketball, and I'm in the band and choir and I couldn't be happier. I have made more friends than I thought possible due to my wide variety of interests."* T.K., gr. 12

*"I made so many friends, learned to work hard, became a significantly better musician and had endless fun!"* S.W., gr. 12

*"There are so many opportunities to gain experience and confidence. It's a really great place to meet people, and there's a lot of scholarships available that music marks contribute to."* P.J., gr. 11

*"I am pursuing a recording career after high school; taking choir and vocal jazz has helped develop my voice, music reading and the ability to sing different styles of music. It has helped me prepare for studying music after high school and be ready for auditions."* S.E., gr. 12

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