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To: Superintendents of School Divisions
Principals of Grades 5-8
Directors of First Nations Education Authorities

**Response Requested by
March 14th, 2011**

**Learning Resources Review Team
Middle Years Music**

Dear Colleagues:

Re: Call for Nominations – Music Learning Resource Review Team

Manitoba Education is requesting teacher nominations from your division for a learning resource review team. To implement the new Arts Education curricula, learning resources need to be identified, reviewed and recommended for use in Manitoba schools. We require experienced, exemplary teachers of Grades 5 to 8 to serve on the Music learning resource review team. The project will require up to three days out of school, May 18, 19, and 20, 2011. The exact number of days will depend upon the number of resources to be reviewed.

Manitoba Education will cover participants' expenses at current government rates, including teacher substitute costs, travel expenses, meals, and accommodation, as applicable.

Please return the enclosed form to Donna Passey no later than March 14th, 2011. Those teachers selected from the nominees will be informed of their place on the team and the number of school days required by April 8th, 2011.

Selection Criteria

The following attributes are desirable in learning resource teacher evaluators and will be considered in the team member selection:

- demonstrate knowledge of best practices in the teaching of music and possess experience in the integration of these areas into teaching practice.
- be exemplary teachers with a minimum of five years experience teaching grades five to eight.
- be available for the meeting for the period of May 18, 19 and 20, 2011.
- are acquainted with the draft Arts curricula posted at <http://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/cur/arts/index.html> .

- be prepared to keep all evaluation information and results confidential, as results will be released only through appropriate channels. (Note: Selected teacher nominees must sign a declaration of confidentiality.)
- have no ties with any publisher, producer, or distributor, or have written or piloted materials for publishers that may be submitted, or have any immediate family member that has current connections with, or has worked with any publisher in the last year; that is, evaluators must not be in a position of conflict of interest.
- be representative of the diversity in our schools (for example, First Nations, Métis and Inuit, gender balance, urban/rural, large school/small school, inner city, geographical/regional, experience with at risk and struggling learners).
- be able to work collaboratively in groups with very tight timelines.

Benefits to Participation


Benefits to participating on the Learning Resources Review Team include:

- identifying exemplary resources to support curriculum and classroom instruction.
- developing enhanced understanding of curricula.
- developing skills and background needed to be a resource person for the division on learning materials selection.

If you have any questions about this project, please contact Donna Passey at 204-945-7620 or 1-800-282-8069, ext 7620 or <donna.passey@gov.mb.ca> or Beryl Peters at 204-945-6747 or 1-800-282-8069, ext. 6747 or <beryl.peters@gov.mb.ca>.

Thank you for your participation in previous projects and for responding to this request. Your time and assistance are appreciated.

Sincerely,


on behalf of
Carole Bilyk
A/Coordinator

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Enclosure

c. Donna Passey
Beryl Peters

Nomination Form
MUSIC Learning Resources Review Team
Winnipeg MB
Meeting: May 18, 19, 20, 2011

Please return by March 14th, 2011
To
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(3 pages)

On behalf of _____ School Division, I nominate:

Name: _____

For: The 5-8 Arts Learning Resource Team for Music

Currently teaching: Grade 5 Grade 6 Grade 7 Grade 8

Total # of years teaching at: Gr. 5 ___ Gr. 6 ___ Gr. 7 ___ Gr. 8 ___

School _____
School Address _____
_____ Postal Code _____
School Principal Name _____
School Phone _____ School Fax _____

Teacher School Email Address _____
Teacher Home Address _____
_____ Postal Code _____
Teacher Home Email _____ Home Phone _____

Superintendent Name (Please print)

Superintendent Signature

Date

1. Education and Recent Professional Development:

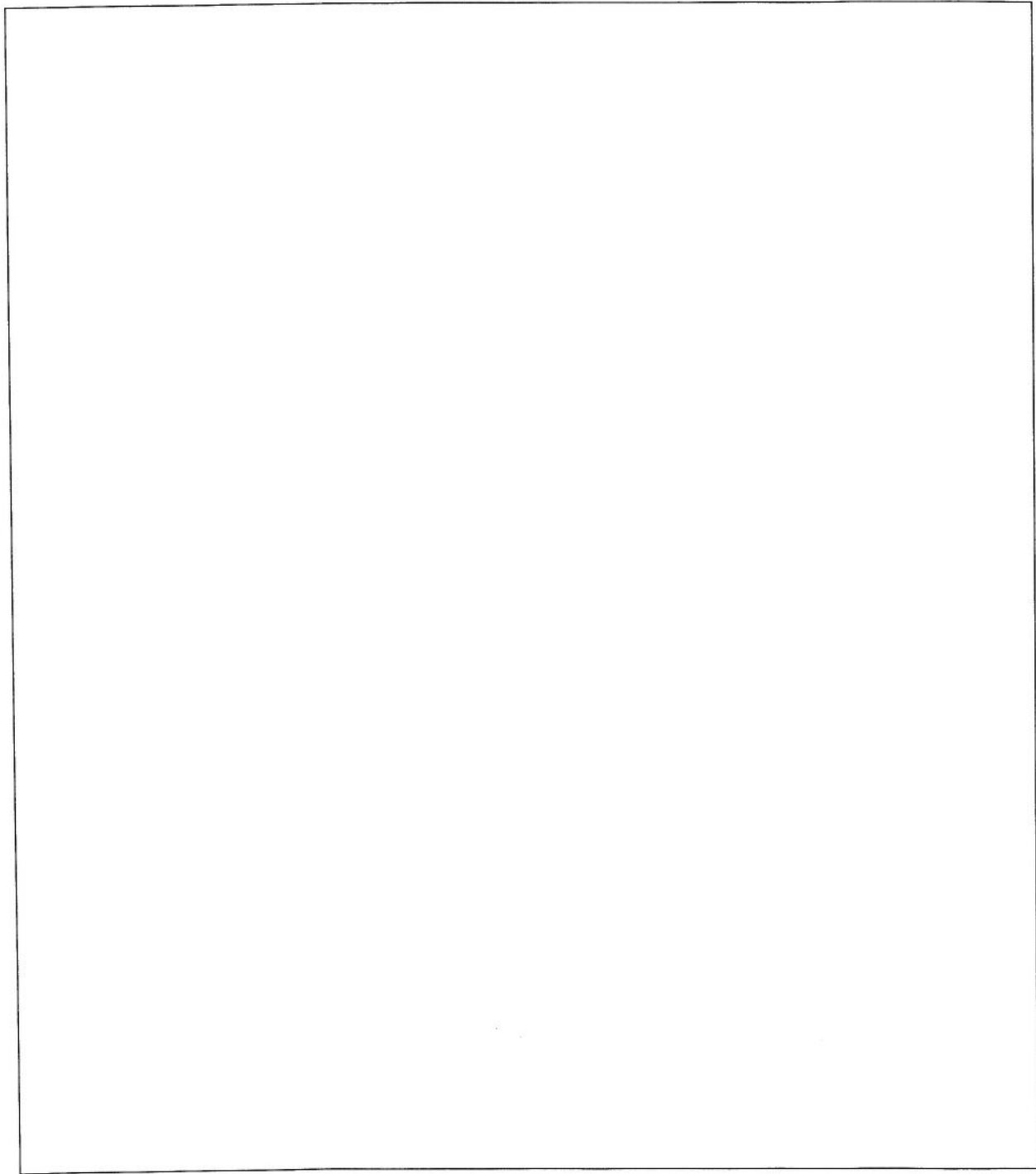
2. Record of Classroom Experience Related to Music (include dates):

3. Prior Curriculum, Resource Evaluation and/or Assessment Experience

4. Personal and Professional Strengths (cooperation, flexibility, etc.)

5. Communication Skills (written and oral):

6. In the space below, please provide a “thumbnail sketch” (no more than 250 words) describing a successful music activity and the learning resource(s) used with your students. Include comments why the activity was effective, any cross-curricular strategies employed, and the approach taken toward assessment.

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