



MUSIC BY THE LAKE

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Dear Student,

This letter is your official confirmation of acceptance to **Music By The Lake 2018**. All of us at the camp office are very excited and looking forward to a successful and fun experience for all campers and staff. Music By The Lake (MBTL) will take place at Camp Wahanowin on Lake Couchiching near Orillia from **Saturday, June 2 to Saturday, June 9, 2018**. To help you prepare for camp, we have included in the following information:

- ♫ **Clothing/Packing List**
- ♫ **Map to Camp Wahanowin**
- ♫ *If required, **Bus Departure/Arrival Locations by School*** (*reservation/payment required in advance)*

New for 2018: Baggage tags and copy of your statement of fees will be sent by mail to your home in May.

Additional information you need to know is as follows:

1. Transportation:

TO CAMP - Saturday, June 2

Driving:

Please follow the enclosed map.
Students must arrive between 10:00am* - 11:00am (no later please).
**Camp gates will not be opened until 9:30am.*
Please bring your baggage, instrument, and music stand with you.
Label all bags/cases/stands with your name and the name of your school (tags provided).
When dropping off campers at MBTL, there is no opportunity for parents to tour the camp or visit cabins. Please say your goodbyes at the designated drop-off area. Your cooperation in this regard is appreciated.

By Bus:

From Bickford Centre
777 Bloor Street West

OR

From Fairview Mall
1800 Sheppard Ave. East

***See map for directions and your assigned departure location.**

***** The cost for the bus is \$30 each way.
If you have **not** signed up for the bus and wish to sign up, please call our office ASAP to reserve your spot.

***Please note: Space is limited*

To confirm bus transportation, please see your enclosed statement of fees and look for the \$30 bus charge(s)

Plan to arrive at the bus between 8:00 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Departure from both locations will be at **9:00AM SHARP!** Bring all labeled baggage and instruments, and music stands to your departure location!



FROM CAMP - Saturday, June 9

Departure from camp, whether driving or by bus, should be no later than 2:00pm. Buses will arrive in Toronto between 3:30 and 4:00pm.

Please see the "Designated Bus Departure/Arrival Location by School" enclosure to determine which bus location you must use. **Note: Assigned bus locations cannot be changed. Buses will depart from and return to the same locations.**

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE AT THE RIGHT LOCATION (Bickford Centre or Fairview) IN ORDER TO PICK UP YOUR CHILD ON TIME... BY 3:30pm.

➔ Please Note: Refunds will not be given on any bus cancellations made after May 28.

2. Instruments and Music Stands:

Instrumental Students are required to bring their own instruments and folding music stands to camp. Clearly label them both. The only exception to this is for students playing Double Bass (*string*) or Percussion. These instruments will be brought to camp for you. Please check with your school music teacher to see that your instrument is in good working order **before** you come to camp. If not, bring one that is working well.

Vocal Students do not need to bring a music stand to camp.

3. Concert Day: Saturday, June 9, 2018

Parents and families of campers are invited to the camp Open House to see their child(ren) perform in the camper concert. The concert will begin at **11:00 am**. Plan to arrive at camp not later than 10:30 am to allow time to park and find the appropriate concert venue for your child(ren). *Camp gates will not be opened until 9:30 am.* A light lunch will be served following the concert for all campers and their guests. Departure from camp should be no later than 2:00 pm. Please note that parents/guests may **not** drive their vehicles around camp and must leave them in the designated parking area. Therefore, campers must take their belongings to the parking area.

Note: *Parents attending the Open House Concert are expected to take their own children home.*

4. Medication:

All camper medication (prescription and non-prescription) must be kept in the Camp Health Centre and be administered under the supervision of the Camp Nurse. Campers who bring medication to camp must report to the Health Centre upon arrival. Campers who use inhalers/puffers or carry epi-pens must keep this medication with them throughout camp.

5. Packing:

Check your clothing and equipment list carefully. There are no laundry facilities at camp, so pack for seven days. Duffel or hockey bags can hold your clothes and sleeping bag. They are also easily stored and take up less space than suitcases. Your bag, instrument, and music stand should all be clearly labeled with the identification tags* (**mailed to your home in May*).

****Please Note:** *Weather at camp can be unpredictable and temperatures can be warm and/or cold.
Please pack a variety of clothing as outlined on the "Clothing and Equipment List"*

6. Valuables:

Children are advised **not** to bring valuables to camp including cell phones and ipods/ipads. Music By The Lake, Camp Wahanowin, and the TDSB are not responsible or liable for any lost or damaged camper property.

7. Phone Calls:

If a parent has a concern or issue regarding camp or their child(ren), please call the camp office at 705-325-2285 and speak to a Director, who will relay any information to your child(ren).

The countdown to camp has begun and we are very confident that MBTL 2018 will be a very fun, exciting, and great educational experience for everyone. We look forward to seeing you at camp!

Sincerely,
Rick Humphrey, TDSB Music Director
Bruce Nashman, Pete Thistlethwaite, Camp Wahanowin Directors
Music By The Lake

*** Don't forget to visit WWW.MBTL.CA for camp updates and information ***