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Mr. Chuck Judd
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Dear Mr. Chuck Judd,

Thank you so much for your generous donation to the BSIMA organization and for enriching our Brandon School band programs over these past four years. Your funding has allowed the various programs to enrich the students' learning in a great many ways.

We have had professional clinicians in to provide workshops and one on one learning for our students. These clinicians have come from Brandon University, Winnipeg, and even as far afield as Newfoundland. Over the last few years, they have performed workshops specific to each instrument, workshops focused on African and ethnic music, on learning techniques, and on emotional and musical expression.

Here are some kind words from our band's music instructors:

“Through Mr. Judd's Music Appreciation Donation, our Crocus Plains and Neelin band students have had numerous enrichment opportunities. We have focused on bringing in professional artist-educators into our schools to both perform and provide valuable instrument-specific instruction. In the last two years alone, we have been able to bring in over 20 different artists through this project. Notably, this included the jazz sextet "Tunnel Six", an ensemble comprised of musicians from the Pacific Northwest of the US and Eastern Canada. The opportunity for our students to hear, learn from, and be inspired by these masters is invaluable in their lifelong musicianship.”

- Anna Penno, Music Educator, CPN, Crocus Plains Regional Secondary School

“Due to your generous donation, we were able to hire Ed Bach for 4 days to come in and work with all of the brass students at Vincent Massey. The students learned specific playing techniques and skills regarding brass instruments. This was truly an enriching experience for the students, and we greatly appreciated the opportunity to work with a brass specialist. We plan on bringing in many more clinicians in the future with these funds to further enrich our program.”

- Meaghan Walker, Music Educator, Vincent Massey Music Association

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“The East Side Band program has invested this donation into bringing professional musicians and clinicians in from Brandon University and across Manitoba for every instrument. Having the opportunity to bring in professional musicians to work with our students not only enriches their musical knowledge, but also helps inspire them to continue making music.”

- Erin Dodds, Music Educator, East Side Band, Earl Oxford School

“West side hired 8 professional musicians to spend a full day/class with each instrument (Clarinet, Flute, Trumpet, Fr. Horn, Trombone/Euphonium, Tuba, Sax, and Percussion) for both grade 7’s and grade 8’s. The amount of specific learning and motivation that came out of these small group sessions was incredible!”

- Graydon Cramer, Music Educator, Brandon West Middle Schools Bands

Due to your generous funding, our students have been instructed by some of Canada’s finest musical instructors, have been able to enjoy great performances, and participate in activities that would not have otherwise been possible.

We are grateful for having you in our instrumental music community Mr. Judd.

On behalf of all the band program directors, BSIMA, our band students and families, once again thank you for the enrichment funding you have donated to our school band programs.

Sincerely,

John Jansen
President, BSIMA