

January 9th, 2025

Dear Larson Families,

It is wonderful to know how so many of our students and families are interested in participating in a school Band program.

With this expressed interest, I am pleased to offer to the Ecole Larson community the opportunity to register in **Beginning Band for the 2025-2026 school year**. Registrations is open for students in grades 5-7. Please note that the ability to offer a program at Ecole Larson is contingent on several factors:

- Enrolment
 - The Band and Strings program operates on a cost-recovery basis, meaning it is funded directly by registration fees.
- Staffing
 - Within the NVSD, equity within our schools is a priority. To ensure all schools receive programming, those requesting a second program may not be granted both Band and Strings, regardless of enrollment.
- Physical Space and Scheduling
 - Each school must have the physical space and scheduling capacity.

Registration for the 2025 – 2026 the Elementary Band and Strings' program runs from **January 13 to February 28th, 2025.** This registration process will include **Beginning Band** only at Larson. Details of this wonderful program, including the ability to register, can be found on the <u>Elementary</u> <u>Band and Strings' webpage.</u>

On March 3rd, we will be reviewing registration numbers for our programs. As of March 14th, we will be able to offer late registration to those schools who have robust enrolment within the selected program and that tentative staffing is in place. Programs will be finalized at each school late spring, once staffing, physical space and scheduling are secured.

If you register your child for the Beginning Band program, but it ends up not being able to be offered for the 2025-2026 school year, we will be in contact and a FULL refund of your fee will be returned.

In addition, you do have the option of withdrawing your registration *without penalty*, if you do so on or before June 13, 2025.

With appreciation for your support and love of what can be possible,

Allison Kerr District Principal, Arts Education