

To Whom It May Concern,

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My name is Susan Stephen and I'm in grade 8. I am concerned about the fact that there no music program at Sir John Franklin High School. I wrote a speech on this topic and I am enclosing a copy. Below are the signatures of the students who would very much appreciate having a music program at the high school. These students are not only from grade 8 but also from grades 7 and 9.

Sincerely, Susan Stephen

SIGNATURES OF STUDENTS WHO WOULD LIKE A MUSIC PROGRAM AT SIR JOHN.

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Mus. ic
Teacher
at William
McDonald

Susan Stephen
Tom Stork
Adam Kobasits
Megan Carver
Carmy Fiel
Kathryn
Marika Strader
Kelly Stikel
Paul Cross
Jennifer Balogh
Lisa Cameron
Christine Jackson
Stephanie Matthews
Suzanne Drummond
Sandra Nielsen
Kiran Kanwal
Tam Macdellan
Nickie Wagner
Kerry Stilwell
Jonny Doherty
GRANT BACHEWELER
Tyler McDonald
Melodie Falconer

Roby Vanover
Dana Embrey
Dana Brown
Clinton Ambrose
Cory Cottrell
Hark. Manickum
Debbie Phipps
Tom Stork
Tyler Stork
Matthew Baker
Allison Marshall
Sean Morrow
Summer Kwan
Chris Sawyer
Dalini Naidoo
Janet Ojeman
Holly Kilday
Mabel Holly
Arie K. Lopez
Trevor McDonald
Jodie Bezaire
B. Edmonds

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STUDENTS

Name

REBECCA JAUD

Susan Abernethy

Shane Turkyson

Tanya Seyachadras

Jason Ould

Joanne Humphreys

Kathryn Tranter

Rob Paine (6870)

BLAINE WASYLKIW

John Coaker

Sarah Comrie

Lyne Mandaville

Tracy Johnston

Marion Cameron

Suzanne Matthews

David Allison

Daisy Mitchell

Name

LISA AMAROSE

Trina MARTENS

TORG FISHER

Kim Comrie

Jennifer Dowse

Jose Miller

Cindy Pike

Lisa Stewart

Demis Colville

Lisa McClelland

Sheldon Parrall

Jason Atkin

Andrew Stewart

Darren Wettig

Michelle Burns

Gym
Teacher
at William
McDonald

Ed Groesbeck

Andrew Cassidy

Leona Neumann

Parents of
students at
William McDonald
that want a
music program



Name

Name

Carolyn Harrison
 Andy Johnston
 R. Cook
 Brenda Auge
 Joe Auge
 Ed Edwards
 J. Landry
 Bob Wilcox
 R. Rye
 P. H. Banks
 Wendy Biscoe
 Pamela May
 Linda Bratcher
 Wendy Alpitte
 Nancy Harrison
 Brian
 Richard Feil
 Bessie Feil
 Bethell
 M. Moretti
 M. Marshall
 Christine Bayly
 Ann Bayly
 Billie Hutz
 Susan Beutner
 Helen
 L. Pantor
 M. King
 Jessie Chapin
 Jennifer Smith
 Ann Johnson
 M. King
 J. King

M. King
 M. King
 Barbara A. E. Cook
 Bob Dancy
 R. H. H. H.
 K. Gauthier
 A. H. Dancy
 Mary Falconer
 Liz Maddrell
 Lenti etc
 Marjorie Kasey
 G. M. Allen
 R. H. H. H.
 M. D. D. D.
 R. H. H. H.
 L. McConnell
 Jean McLean
 David T. McLean
 M. J. Stewart
 Karen Morris
 Peter MORRIS
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~
 Brian Wainwright
 Mary McCallan
 Dina Duffin
 Malie Power
 George Campbell
 Mike MacIntyre
 Joyce Stephen
 Bill Stephen
 Carol Kirkman
 N. Cassidy
 W. Lindart Greber

Parents
of Students (continued)

N. Makley

A. Tranter

R. Irwin

Pijo Naumov

W. K. ...

Drene Stilwell

W. P. ...

A. MacDonnell

Wilson Gabb

Margaret ...

Foz ...

Music Teacher
at Mildred Hall
Music Teacher
at Norman J
McPherson

SPEECH

THIS MORNING I WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT THE MUSIC PROGRAMS AT THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN YELLOWKNIFE. ARE YOU AWARE THAT THERE IS NO MUSIC PROGRAM AT SIR JOHN FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL? I KNOW THIS TOPIC WON'T CONCERN MOST OF US FOR ANOTHER TWO YEARS, BUT HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT IT? WHAT WILL YOU DO WHEN YOU GET TO HIGH SCHOOL? WILL YOU JUST LET YOUR MUSICAL TALENT WITHER AWAY AND BECOME A SMALL DOT ON THE HORIZON? AT MILDRED HALL THE MUSIC PROGRAM IS VERY IMPORTANT, THEY HAVE THE CONCERT CHOIR AND THE RECORDER GROUP AS EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND IN CLASS YOU LEARN TO PLAY THE RECORDER AND ALSO TO SING. AT SISSONS THERE IS A RECORDER GROUP, A CHOIR AND A UKULELE GROUP AS EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND IN CLASS YOU LEARN TO PLAY THE RECORDER AND ALSO TO SING. AT WILLIAM Mc DONALD YOU HAD THE OPPORTUNITY, IN GRADE SEVEN, TO JOIN EITHER INSTRUMENTAL OR GENERAL MUSIC; IN GRADE EIGHT YOU HAD THE CHOICES OF EXTRA MATH, GENERAL OR INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC; AND IN GRADE NINE, ALSO AMONG THE OPTIONS, IS THE INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM. THOSE OF YOU WHO JOINED INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC HAD THE CHANCE TO JOIN A BAND. THERE IS THE GRADE SEVEN BAND FOR ANY GRADE SEVENS AND THE CONCERT BAND FOR GRADES EIGHT AND NINE AND AUDITIONED GRADE SEVENS. CONCERT BAND ENABLES YOU TO PERFORM IN FRONT OF LARGE GROUPS OF PEOPLE WHETHER IT'S PARENTS

THE SCHOOL OR JUST MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY TO TRAVEL AND MEET OTHER BANDS FROM OTHER PLACES AND ALSO TO HAVE FUN WITH YOUR INSTRUMENT WITHOUT HAVING TO WORRY ABOUT YOUR MARKS. BY THE TIME WE GRADUATE FROM GRADE NINE MOST OF US WILL HAVE HAD THE CHANCE TO: SING IN A CHOIR, PLAY RECORDER, PLAY UKULELE, AND TO LEARN A BAND INSTRUMENT AND TO PERFORM BUT DO WE WANT TO STOP HERE? AT THE PRESENT TIME SIR JOHN FRANKLIN HAS NO MUSIC PROGRAM. THERE IS THE POSSIBILITY THAT A CHOIR WILL BE STARTED BUT IT IS NOT YET OFF THE GROUND AND THERE IS STILL NO INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC. IF WE WANT SIR JOHN FRANKLIN TO HAVE A MUSIC PROGRAM WE HAVE TO MAKE OUR DESIRE KNOWN. I THINK WE SHOULD WRITE LETTERS TO THE PRINCIPAL OF SIR JOHN FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL, TO THE SUPERINTENDENT AND TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION. THESE LETTERS WOULD HAVE MORE EFFECT IF IT WERE KNOWN THAT A LARGE NUMBER OF STUDENTS ARE INTERESTED IN TRYING TO OBTAIN A MUSIC PROGRAM. IF WE HOPE TO HAVE A MUSIC PROGRAM BY THE TIME WE REACH GRADE TEN WE SHOULD START NOW. THE MORE PEOPLE WE HAVE SUPPORTING THE CAUSE, THE BETTER OUR CHANCES OF GETTING A MUSIC PROGRAM ARE. SO, LET'S AT LEAST TRY.

THANK YOU

A copy of the above is being sent to:

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Ted Richard, MLA
Mike Ballantyne, MLA
John Rouble
Jerry Keefe

Dennis Patterson
Diane Boyle
Bob MacQuarrie
Malcolm Farrow