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# MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Administrators  
Teaching Staff

**FROM:** Matt Henderson,  
Assistant Superintendent 

**DATE:** March 15, 2021

**RE:** MB Education Bulletin #9 – Music Practices within K to 12 Schools

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The Government of Manitoba has provided updated guidelines related to singing and the playing of wind instruments (March 12). “Indoor singing and the playing of instruments, including wind instruments, may resume in K to 12 schools, both as part of music classes and as part of extra-curricular activities.”

As a division we want to clarify, and add to the provincial guidelines already stated:

- Guitar, keyboard, and other experiences designed by educators are still welcome.
- Singing and playing should take place outside and/or in gymnasiums/large spaces when possible.
- Students Gr. 4-12 have to be masked when singing indoors and outdoors.
- All wind instruments are allowed to be played indoors including the recorder, but outdoors and in gymnasiums/large spaces if possible.
- Bell covers on instruments are not mandatory but are recommended.
- 30 min max indoor rehearsal time when singing and playing.
- Windows and doors to the outdoors should be open (if available) during rehearsal time.
- Virtual concerts may continue to be filmed without an audience.

**If you cannot abide by these recommendations, then other experiences will need to be designed and/or altered.**

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Tyler Yip, Matt Henderson, or your Admin team.

Thank you.

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