

MUSIC FOR CHILDREN – CARL ORFF CANADA – MUSIQUE POUR ENFANTS

## ORFF CHILDREN'S DAY

BRANDON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MUSIC (270 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.)

FRIDAY, MAY 1st, 2026

Dear Music Educator,

The Manitoba Orff Chapter is pleased to present their annual Orff Children's Day, providing a fantastic learning opportunity for grade 5 students as well as excellent professional development for teachers.

This fun-filled and musically enriching day will take place on Friday, May 1st, 2026, at the Brandon University School of Music (270 18th St.) from 8:50 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. Throughout the day, five Orff trained clinicians will lead sessions in choral singing, recorder, movement, drumming and barred instrument ensembles. The day will culminate at 3:00 p.m. with a sharing session presented by the students.

Please consider the following when inviting your grade 5 students to participate:

- Students should have a positive attitude and be responsible.
- Students should be proficient and comfortable in the five areas of the Orff process: singing, movement, speech, improvisation, and instrumental playing. *For the recorder session, it would be helpful to know the notes B, A, G, low E, and low D on the soprano recorder. However, there will be another instrument option if your students do not play recorder.*
- Students must be accompanied by a teacher and supervised at all times.

***Teachers may bring a maximum of 15 students. Registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Register early to avoid disappointment!***  
***You must have one teacher/adult in attendance for every 10 students participating.***

**EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JANUARY 23, 2026**

**Final Registration Deadline: March 27, 2026**

Please note, you must be a member of the Manitoba Orff Chapter in order to participate in this event. If you have any questions about membership, visit [www.manitobaorff.org](http://www.manitobaorff.org). Enclosed you will find the Teacher Registration Form, Parent Letter, and Student Registration/Media Release Form. Please make a copy of the Parent Letter and Student Registration/Media Release Form for each participating student. **Student Registration/Media Release Forms must be submitted by April 17, 2026**, as long as the Teacher Registration Form and full payment have been received by March 27, 2025.

If you have any questions, please contact Chantal Courcelles Lancaster at [chantal.courcelles-lancaster@dsfm.mb.ca](mailto:chantal.courcelles-lancaster@dsfm.mb.ca).

We are looking forward to a very exciting Orff Children's Day 2026!

Sincerely, the Orff Children's Day Committee 2025

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### TEACHER REGISTRATION FORM

Teacher Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

School Division: \_\_\_\_\_

Participating Student Teacher (FREE): \_\_\_\_\_

My students play recorder at school: ☐ YES ☐ NO

I am interested in submitting a write-up about this event for the Manitoba Modes publication: ☐ YES ☐ NO

Teachers must be current members of Manitoba Orff Chapter to participate in this event. Teachers may bring a maximum of 12 grade 5 students.

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<b>EARLY BIRD Registration</b> (before January 23, 2026)	<b>Regular Registration</b> (Jan 23, 2026 – March 27, 2026)
# Students _____ x \$16 = _____	# Students _____ x \$20 = _____
Teacher (no students) = \$16	Teacher (no students) = \$20
Teacher with students = FREE	Teacher with students = FREE
TOTAL PAYMENT: \$ _____	

***Student names and forms need to be submitted by April 17, 2026.***

Please submit one cheque per school (payable to *Manitoba Orff Chapter*) along with all forms to:

**Orff Children's Day, c/o Diane Steffensen,  
67 Camirant Cres, Winnipeg MB, R3X 1T5**

- Registration will not be accepted unless full payment is enclosed
- Confirmation of registration and receipts will be issued by email
- Schools can also pay by etransfer (NEW!) at [childrensdaymoc@gmail.com](mailto:childrensdaymoc@gmail.com)

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**Dear Parents/Guardians,**

Your child has been invited to Orff Children's Day, sponsored by the Manitoba Orff Chapter, on Friday, May 1st, 2026. Orff Children's Day is an opportunity for grade 5 students and their teachers from across the province to come together for a day of creative music making. Sessions will include choral singing, recorder, movement, drumming and instrumental ensemble playing. This event will take place at Brandon University School of Music (270 18th St.) from 8:50 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Your music teacher is a member of this organization and will be in attendance during the day.

**Please note the following details regarding the day:**

- Registration will take place starting at 8:30 a.m. at Brandon University School of Music. Please check in at the registration table upon arrival. Parents are responsible for the transportation of their child.
- Please provide your child with a nut-free bagged lunch, a reusable water bottle, and two snacks. Please note that no microwaves are available.
- Students must bring their own soprano recorder labeled with their name and school (if they play this instrument at school).
- Students should dress comfortably for movement and wear running shoes.
- The day's activities will culminate at 3:00 p.m. with a sharing session presented by the participating students. Family and friends are most welcome to attend.
- The day will end at 3:30 p.m. Please arrange for your child to be picked up at that time. There will be no supervision of students after 3:45 p.m.

Orff Children's Day is a wonderful opportunity to enrich your child through a shared experience of music-making using the Orff process. Thank you for your support of Orff Children's Day and of your child's music education. Should you have any questions, please contact your child's music teacher.

Sincerely,

Your Elementary Music Teacher

On behalf of the Orff Children's Day Committee 2026

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### **STUDENT REGISTRATION FORM**

*Please print neatly and return to your music teacher*

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact and Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ Please enclose a cheque payable to your child's school or cash in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ The school will cover the registration fee. No cheque is needed.

### **STUDENT MEDIA RELEASE FORM**

*Parent/Guardian permission for publishing of student photographs/video*

Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Members of the Manitoba Orff Chapter and/or the media may take photographs/video of students at Orff Children's Day. Your child's photograph/video may be published by the Manitoba Orff Chapter for educational purposes for, including but not limited to, brochures, display boards, and on their website.

I give permission for the publishing of my child's photograph/video from Orff Children's Day.

☐ Yes

☐ No

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Parent/Guardian (please print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date