

# Music at the REC

## River East Collegiate Musical Arts Parent Association (RECMAPA)

### Spring Edition of Musical Key Notes



We are excited to announce the dates of the Spring and Jazz Concerts. Please take note of the dates to ensure you know when the concerts will be held.




Advanced ticket orders due by May 16th. See ticket price information for the Jazz and Spring Concerts listed on the right of this page.

### VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED FOR THE SPRING CONCERT!!!

We require volunteers to collect tickets and hand out programs at the Spring Concert. If you can help please contact Bill Nadurak at [wilnad@mts.net](mailto:wilnad@mts.net).

### MUSIC FEES

 **Thank you** to all families who have sent in their music fees. For those families who have not sent in the \$25 fee we are requesting you send in the fees now so we can close the collect down for the year. Please complete the information on the back of this newsletter and send it in with your child. Please include your email address so we can keep you informed of all music activities without sending out paper!!! It will save us time and the money saved can be spent on music!!!

<http://schools.retsd.mb.ca/rec/Pages/ParentAssociation.aspx>

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We are looking for parents to join the committee for the 2014-15 school year. Please contact any of the executive members to come "on board" and help us and our music program out!

### What Does RECMAPA Do?

The purpose of the RECMAPA is to promote, encourage and support the interests of the musical arts programs of River East Collegiate. We assist both the choir and band programs to ensure the students have what they need to excel.

### Important Dates

Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>

#### Spring Concert

North Kildonan Mennonite Brethren Church  
1315 Gateway Road  
7:00 PM (\$5 –in advance \$7—at the door)

Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup>

#### Jazz Concert

REC Theatre

1:00 PM Matinee Performance (Silver Collection)  
7:00 PM Evening Performance (\$5.00)

**RIVER EAST COLLEGIATE'S JEFF KULA PRESENTED WITH 2014 TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD FROM MUSICOUNTS AND 2014 JUNO AWARD NOMINEE GORD BAMFORD**

Announced by MusiCounts in March, to an auditorium filled with students and faculty, the award was officially presented by 2014 JUNO Award Country Album of the Year nominee, Gord Bamford.

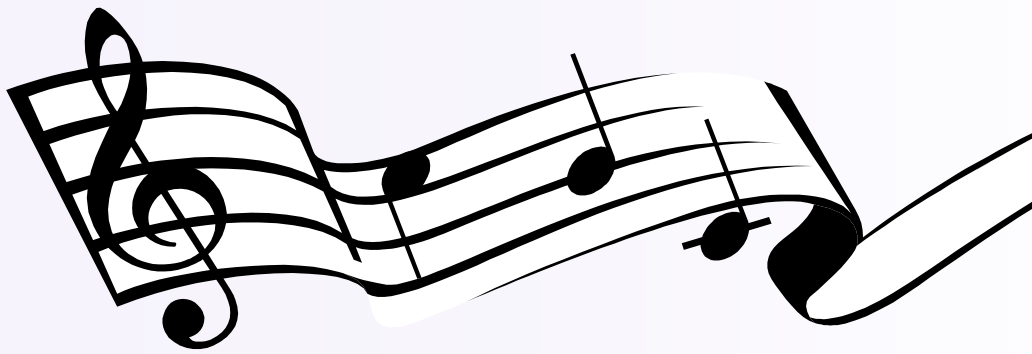
The MusiCounts Teacher of the Year Award recognizes the incredible, dedicated and hard-working music teachers in Canada who encourage music education for many young Canadians.

The award recognizes Mr. Kula's 27-year career, 15 of which have been spent as the sole full-time Instrumental Music Director at REC. Of the 950 students at REC, 20% are enrolled in the music program due to his leadership, reputation and ability to motivate students to produce music.

Over the years, he has established a variety of instrumental groups including concert band, jazz percussion ensembles and small chamber groups. Beyond the already extensive hours that his music program demands, he is extremely generous with his time, often accompanying young players to the music store on weekends to help them get mouthpieces and driving forgotten instruments to students' homes. Known as an innovator that inspires the next generation of musicians, Kula has implemented student-produced videos and art as part of band performances, clinics with veteran session players, and placement in competitions throughout North America for students to participate in.

**CONGRATULATIONS!!!**





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**\*\*PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN THIS PORTION\*\***

Contact information is requested for all parents. Please complete this form and return it to the school with the music fee of \$25 per family or bring it to the spring or jazz concerts. This will make it possible for RECMAPA committee members to contact you by email to provide timely and important information.

Parents/Guardian Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Grade(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ \$25 music fee is attached  
(cheque made payable to River East Collegiate (Memo: RECMAPA Fee))

**Thank you for supporting your child's musical education!**