

**Jackson High School Choir, Band & Orchestra**  
**Vancouver Heritage Music Festival in Vancouver, BC**  
**May 24-26, 2024**

Our music department has the opportunity to perform at the prestigious Heritage Music Festival in Vancouver BC 2024!! Jackson High School music programs have one many awards at the competitive event.

Please take note of the following information:

- Trips are **not** required for this class and non-participation will not affect a student's grade.
- In order to commit to this trip, **we must receive enough contracts and deposits to ensure a balanced, quality music performing group.**
- **In order for this trip to happen, all families need to engage with the Mattress Fundraiser, February 24th.** Proceeds earned from the Mattress Fundraiser could potentially lower the cost for everyone.
- The trip cost includes \$100 to cover the cost of House Bill 1660, which enables all students to participate. This amount could be adjusted depending on final registration numbers and the success of the Mattress Fundraiser, February 24th.
- Students will miss 1 day of school and are responsible for completing all work required for classes.
- Students who are unable to meet behavior standards in the classroom and in school in general, will not be permitted to travel with the choir and orchestra.
- Students must have proper documentation to cross the border.

**CHAPERONES NEEDED - please complete the following by January 31st.**

1. Complete the [\*\*CHAPERONE APPLICATION GOOGLE FORM\*\*](#)
2. Complete District volunteer application
3. Adult consent form
4. Signed Contract
5. Completed online registration with World Strides
6. Overnight Chaperone Training (date TBD)

Be sure to read the contract carefully before signing it. Keep a copy for your records. **Checks should be made payable to JHS with band, choir or orchestra written on the memo line and turned in to the ASB office.** It is the student's responsibility to turn in all receipts to Mr. Schell, Mr. Lundquist or Mrs. West by each payment deadline of January 31st.

Sincerely,

Melanie West, Craig Schell & Michael Lundquist

## **BORDER CROSSING INFORMATION**

Students, under 19, should use a valid U.S. Passport, which will not expire until 6 months after the trip, or appropriate immigration documentation or a certified copy of their birth certificate and photo ID. Please check All chaperones must have a valid U.S. Passport or enhanced ID as their form of identification. Anyone without proper identification will be turned away at the border. Adults MUST carry their U.S. Passport with them at all times.

Please make sure you have all the required documentation for your child to cross the border before making a commitment to this trip.

## **DUE BY January 31st**

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- **Complete Online Registration with WorldStrides**
- **Complete Behavior & Expectation Agreement Google Form**
- **Signed Contract**
- **Signed Consent Form**
- **Signed Assumption of Risk Form**
- **Signed Border Crossing Form**
- **Pay Deposit of \$250 to ASB office with cash or check - be sure to specify band, choir or orchestra.**
- **Turn in the receipt to your music teacher.**

## **TRIP INCLUSIONS**

- Performances at Vancouver Heritage Music Festival
- Clinic by adjudicator with written evaluation, awards
- All ground transportation
- Hotel
- Select meals (1 lunch, 1 dinner)
- Admission tickets to Capilano Suspension Bridge and PNE Playland
- Gratuities for hotels and coach driver

# **Vancouver Heritage Music Festival**

**May 24 – 26, 2024**

## **Draft Itinerary**

(subject to change, details TBD)

### **Friday, May 24**

- 7:30 am Drop-off luggage at JHS; Check-in with Chaperone
- 7:45 am Group Meeting
- 8:00 am Load Busses
- 8:30 am Drive to Canada
- 11:30 Lunch/Explore Downtown Vancouver
- 2:30 pm – Capilano Suspension Bridge
- 5:00 pm – Dinner/Pizza and Play in Stanley Park
- 8:30 pm – Check in to hotel

### **Saturday, May 25**

- 7:00 am Breakfast
- 8:00 Prepare for day of Festival Performances
- TBD – Lunch - Boxed (included)
- TBD – Performances and clinics
- 4:00 – PNE Playland
- 5:30 – Group Dinner
- 7:00 – Heritage Festival Awards Ceremony
- 10:00 pm – Return to Hotel

### **Sunday, May 26**

- 7:00 am Breakfast
- 8:30 Depart for Jackson High School
- 11:30-12:30 arrive JHS

## \$ - TRIP COSTS - \$

<b>Student Tour Price (quad occupancy):</b>	<b>\$650</b>
<b>Chaperone Price (double occupancy):</b>	<b>\$550</b>

*Price is based upon estimated number of students*

*Single occupancy may be available for chaperones for additional charge*

**INCLUSIONS** - All transportation, accommodations, activities and meals as listed on "Trip Inclusions" page.

**EXCLUSIONS** - Trip price does not include incidentals or meals not specified

## PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Payments are due by 2:15 on the dates listed

Deposit	\$250	January 31, 2024
Payment #2	\$200	February 28, 2024
Final Payment	\$200 (TBD)	March 27, 2024

## REFUND SCHEDULE

### \$550 World Strides Portion

45 Days Prior - 100%

46-8 Days Prior - 50%

7 Days or less prior - No Refund

### \$100 - House Bill 1660 Portion

March 1st

**NOTE:** PLEASE DO NOT PAY IN FULL. If the final payment is adjusted, refunds are very difficult to process.

# **REGISTRATION**

WORLDSTRIDES

To successfully complete the required online registration process:

1. Visit our website at: [worldstrides.com/register](http://worldstrides.com/register)
2. Enter your Trip ID:213080
3. Click "REGISTER"
4. Verify the School Name and Teacher Name(listed as Michael Lundquist), then select Student or Adult.
5. Enter all requested information.
6. Read the Terms & Conditions and click Accept. Here you will have the option to download or print for your records.
7. Submit your completed form.

\*Please note student registrations should be completed by a parent or guardian as Terms and Conditions must be agreed to in the process.

# **CANCELLATIONS**

Refer to the refund schedule above. The sole exception is that an eligible student can "buy out" your spot if you need to cancel, provided they can be accommodated in available rooming options. If a buy-out isn't feasible, all trip costs become the responsibility of the legal parent/guardian who signed the initial contract, covering both paid and incurred expenses on the student's behalf. Any fees for hotel name-changes resulting from a student buy-out are the responsibility of the parent/guardian of the student being added and must be paid before purchasing new tickets. No verbal changes or cancellations are accepted; written cancellations require a dated and signed letter from the parent/guardian.

## **STATEMENT REGARDING NON-REFUNDABLE EXPENSES**

Certain advance payments for trips or competitions are non-refundable. When the school incurs non-refundable expenses on behalf of the students, the commitment to participate implies an agreement to cover your student's portion of these costs, even if unforeseen circumstances prevent participation later.

If you've paid for a non-refundable expense, no refunds are possible, as the school cannot retrieve the funds from the company. If you haven't paid but the school has covered your non-refundable expense based on your commitment, you'll incur a fine on your account.

**Please address any questions before committing financially. Thank you!**

# Jackson High School Choir/Orchestra/Band Heritage Festival Vancouver BC Contract

*May 24-26, 2024*

Please sign and return this CONTRACT with the deposit RECEIPT stapled to it to Mrs. West, Mr. Schell or Mr. Lundquist no later than 2:15 on January 31, 2024.

By signing this agreement, I/we commit to the following conditions for participation in the JHS Choir, Orchestra & Band trip to Vancouver BC:

- Acceptance of the financial terms outlined in this agreement.
- Acknowledgment and agreement to all terms and conditions in the JHS Music Vancouver Trip Behavior and Expectations Google Form.
- Completion of this form and all accompanying documents.
- Parent or guardian signature on permission slips, even if the student is 18.
- Registration with World Strides as per the instructions in this packet.
- Acknowledgment that disciplinary, academic, or other issues may result in the family being responsible for non-refundable fees.
- Understanding that failure to possess proper border-crossing documentation will lead to the forfeiture of all paid fees, and the student will be denied boarding.

Traveling with the choir/orchestra/band is a privilege. Clear communication on trip cancellations is crucial; all cancellations must be in writing to be valid—verbal requests won't be honored by the travel company. If you cancel, all non-refundable fees, whether paid or not, will be charged. Stay informed about performance details, clinic times, and the finalized itinerary by checking emails and discussing updates with your student.

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Student Name (print)

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Student Signature

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Parent / Guardian Name (print)

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Parent / Guardian Signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_