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Dear School Administrator,

I am writing to inform you of the upcoming Music Conference Alberta, held 20-21 October 2023 in Edmonton. Attached you will find an **Information Sheet** that provides a conference overview; additional information can be found on the conference website at [www.musicconferenceab.ca](http://www.musicconferenceab.ca).

Music Conference Alberta is recognized as the premier professional development opportunity for music educators in our province. The diverse roster of more than 40 interest sessions is designed for elementary and classroom music educators, band directors, choral conductors, and studio music teachers. A series of masterclasses, one-on-one sessions, rehearsal labs and open rehearsals are also included in the conference schedule.

We are especially excited to present **CBC Radio host Tom Power as this year's keynote speaker**. This year's conference will also feature sessions and performances by the Alberta Youth Choir and Alberta Wind Symphony, conducting learning labs with University of Alberta Professor Emeritus Dr. Leonard Ratzlaff, and workshops with musician and psychotherapist Dr. Sara Brooks.

The focus of this year's conference is **mental wellness for music educators and music students**. This topic was selected in response to a need expressed by 2022 delegates and members of presenting organizations. In addition to a number of interest sessions on this topic, one-on-one personal wellness sessions will also be offered to delegates.

As always, the Marketplace will provide an opportunity for delegates to learn about new products and resources, meet industry representatives, and learn about upcoming travel and fundraising opportunities. In addition, a series of social functions provide an arena for delegates to network with their peers and to meet their colleagues from across the province.

**Given the unique and outstanding opportunities available at Music Conference Alberta to all music educators, it is my hope that you will encourage the music teacher(s) at your school to attend. Note that the Early Bird deadline is 1 October 2023.**

Should you have any questions, please feel free to inquire using the information above. I hope to have the opportunity to meet the music teacher at your school at Music Conference Alberta!

Kind regards,

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Project Director

