

# Nova Scotia Band Association



## “BAND SPARK”

### PURPOSE:

To provide an experience for 1<sup>st</sup> year students to come together in their area with like minded individuals. NSBA project.

### GOALS:

- Playing together in a large ensemble
- Following the conductor and playing together
- Individual instrument clinics
- Meeting new students
- Individual instrument clinic instruction
- Having fun

### NSBA FUNDING:

- NSBA will provide \$200 towards the honorarium for the Master Teacher Conductor for the day.
- Ask NSBA for other funds to provide snack or other items such as music, folders, etc.
- Clinicians should be volunteers to keep the cost low. Volunteers can be music teachers, retired music teachers, community members, university students and high school students.
- You must be an NSBA member in good standing for your students to attend.

### TIME: 4 hours of student interaction

Sample day: 30 minutes registration and organization of students  
1 hour – meet and greet, play warmup together, start pieces of music.  
1 hour – individually instrument clinic  
30 minutes – break for snacks  
1 hour – work on music pieces and give final presentation to waiting parents.

### STUDENT COST:

The students should have a minimum cost to off set, snacks and other incidental expenditures. Past years student cost was \$5.00 per students. It is up to the committee to decide.

### POSSIBLE TIME OF YEAR:

September/October Beginning of the year – Learn first 5 notes and proper playing position.  
January/February Before deciding to continue for the next school year.  
May/June End of the year – Fun and progress toward the next school year.

### **NSBA PROJECT COORIDNATOR RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Choose committee
- Choose times of day, morning/afternoon
- Choose venue and time of year
- Ask for volunteers for clinics
- Purchase snacks and swag for the day
- Apply for grants
- Make sure necessary stands and percussion equipment is at the venue.
- Advertise “BAND SPARK” event in the NSBA Newsletter at least one month before.

### **MUSIC: These band charts are owned by NSBA for use for “Band Spark”**

At the Edge of Chaos by Roland Barrett  
Happy Day March by Raymond Dodd  
The Beast by Michael Story  
Silly Samba by Raymond Dodd  
Holiday Hummers by Jeff Stern.