

Anna Penno is currently a music educator at Crocus Plains Regional Secondary School in Brandon, MB, where she teaches grades 9 to 12 concert and jazz ensembles. Anna received her undergraduate degree in Music Education from Brandon University, where she studied saxophone with Greg Gatien and conducting with Wendy McCallum. In 2013, Anna completed her Master's of Music Education degree at Michigan State University. While pursuing graduate studies, Anna received opportunities to supervise student teachers, coordinate undergraduate music education field experience placements, and enhance her skills as a performer. With the guidance of her primary advisor, Dr. Cynthia Taggart, Anna conducted research in jazz pedagogy and gender studies. Anna looks forward to opportunities to collaborate with students and other music educators through her involvement in music camps, festivals, and opportunities to adjudicate. Recent highlights include being a member of the jazz saxophone faculty at the International Music Camp, directing the Norman/Parkland Intermediate Honour Band and the Manitoba Junior Honour Jazz Band, adjudicating at the Manitoba Band Association Beginner Band Festival, as well as presenting at the Da Capo Music Education Conference.