

## **Marissa Hirsch**

Marissa is an advocate for anything and everything that can inspire young people to love music as much as she does!

As a graduate of the University of Manitoba with a Bachelor of Education and Bachelor of Music, she has spent her career in Manitoba in the St. James-Assiniboia School Division and in the Sunrise School Division as a middle school band director. She is currently the band director at Springfield Middle School, in Oakbank, Manitoba, where she directs large band and jazz band programs.

Marissa has been a camp coordinator at one of the Manitoba Band Association's Summer Band Camps for the past fifteen years and has spent most of this time on the Canadian Board of Directors at the International Music Camp.

She has presented at the Da Capo Conference and at the Manitoba Music Conference. Marissa is an active adjudicator, as well as a guest conductor at many schools and regional honour bands across the province, including the Westman and Parkland Norman Honour Bands. Most recently, Marissa was the conductor of the 2018 Manitoba Junior Honour Band.

As a supporter for all of our four-legged friends, Marissa is also a proud co-founder of Manitoba Musicians for Mutts.