

Hello music parents and students,

My name is Elaine Rude and I am the band tour coordinator for the 2016/2017 school year. We have a great trip planned for students this year. We will be traveling to Honolulu, Hawaii to participate in the Worldstrides Music Festival. This prestigious music festival offers students adjudicated performance opportunities, awards and awards ceremony, instrumental and choral clinics and the opportunity to view other student band and choral performances from around North America.

Our tour will also include visits to the Polynesian Cultural Center, Cultural Workshops and Clinics at the University of Hawaii, performance opportunities at Pearl Harbour and other venues as well as a host of fun activities.

We will require up to four parent chaperones depending on student numbers. Applicants can submit their names to the office where administration will select the chaperones. To offset costs we are asking chaperones to pay a portion of the tour cost.

The tour is from April 7-12, 2017. Our registration deadline of Oct 13, 2016, with the initial \$500.00 deposit due, is fast approaching. More tour information as well as the required RVS school forms: Acknowledgement of Risk, Medical and Travel Insurance Forms can be found on the CHARMS website. To register for the tour please go to [www.abalancingact.ca/CHS-tour-17003](http://www.abalancingact.ca/CHS-tour-17003). Deposits can be paid for on CashOnLine. For more information please contact myself at [elaine@luv2garden.ca](mailto:elaine@luv2garden.ca) , Mrs Waterbury at [awaterbury@rvschools.ab.ca](mailto:awaterbury@rvschools.ab.ca) or Mr Talen at [jtalen@rvschools.ab.ca](mailto:jtalen@rvschools.ab.ca).

Come and join us on this wonderful journey!

Best Regards,

Elaine Rude