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Dear music teachers, students and school administrators,

I would like to offer my sincerest thanks for your submissions to this year's Canadian Music Class Challenge, and wish you good luck as we move toward announcing the winners on December 16th.

When we launched the contest last year, we had two goals in mind. First, we wanted to introduce Canadian music to students across the country. But, equally as important, we wanted to shine the light on the tireless commitment that music teachers like you, make to our kids. On both points, we have to consider this year's contest a success.

Almost 550 music classes from every province and territory, uploaded Canadian classics ranging from The Tragically Hip's 'Ahead By A Century' performed next to a campfire, to Troopers' 'Here For A Good Time' sung in Ojibway.

The hard work and support of music teachers is evident in these videos through the unique arrangements, and the well-practised playing.

I hope you and your students found this year's contest a fun and engaging teaching tool.

Canadian music is in good hands, thanks to you!

Regards,
Mark Steinmetz
Senior Director
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