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Schools connect online for Music Monday 2010

Dorval QC., May 2, 2010 – Fourteen schools within the Lester B. Pearson School Board (LBPSB) will be taking part in Music Monday 2010, which is on Monday, May 3rd. Music Monday is an event that was launched in 2005 by the Coalition for Music Education in Canada. It takes place the first Monday in May every year. It is an event that brings together thousands of students and its mission is to have different communities from around the world celebrate the gift of music on the same day, at the same time.

So far, close to 2,100 schools have registered for the event, with some schools from as far as Indonesia participating in what started out as a national endeavour and has now become international. Thirteen elementary schools and one high school across the LBPSB have been gearing up for the event by practicing Music Monday's theme song, Sing, Sing. Schools from across the world will sing the theme song simultaneously. The LBPSB's schools will be singing the song at 11am.

Riverview Elementary students will be singing with students from Texas, New Jersey, Kansas, Ohio, Alberta, Ontario and Quebec using Video Conference Networking (VCN). At 11am, students will join each other via VCN and will sing Music Monday's theme song. "It promises to be a wonderful opportunity for students and teachers across the country and across the border to promote and share their love of music," said Kathleen Walshe-Turcotte, Music Specialist at Riverview.

Riverview Elementary is located at 971 Riverview in Verdun.

For more information about Music Monday, visit www.musicmonday.ca or www.lundienmusique.ca.

The Lester B. Pearson School Board is an English school board serving more than 32,000 students and staff in 60 schools, adult and vocational centres, an International Language Centre, and an Administrative Centre on a territory from Verdun westward to the Ontario border. The Lester B. Pearson School Board is recognized locally, nationally and internationally as a progressive and innovative public education institution pioneering a model of inclusive education and an acclaimed International Studies Program. It is also the first school board in Quebec to pilot a universally-available half-day Kindergarten program for 4 year olds and a tri-lingual International full-day Pre-Kindergarten program.

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