

**For 2020: Lake Diefenbaker Pipe Band School is back at Queen's House of Retreat in Saskatoon. Please note our new dates are Apr. 13 – 17.**

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**Classes:** Auditions will be held prior to classes to assist in placing students in the appropriate class. The classes will be as follows:

*Beginner Chanter/Chanter:* For those who have never played the chanter as well as those who have started on the chanter and have not yet progressed to the bagpipes. Emphasis will be placed on mastery of the basics as well as performance of the essential repertoire on the chanter and a comprehension of fundamental music theory. A separate adult class may be offered given sufficient enrolment.

*Intermediate Piping:* For those who have reached the performance level required of a competent band player. Students will learn advanced tunes, work on improving their skill in tuning their bagpipe, and receive an introduction to Piobaireachd and composition.

*Advanced Piping:* For those who have reached an advanced level of play, and will benefit from instruction in Piobaireachd, composition, band management, reed selection, achievement of band tone, etc.

*Beginner Drumming:* For those on the drum pad. Emphasis will be placed on rudiments, elementary theory, basic beatings, as well as technique.

*Intermediate Drumming:* For those who have reached the level of band drummer. Emphasis will be placed on playing in a corps, achieving good tone on the drum, advanced theory, new material, and an introduction to composition.

*Advanced Drumming:* For those who have achieved an advanced level of play, and who will benefit from instruction in advanced composition, competition, corps management, achievement of corps tone, as well as the opportunity to learn some advanced material.

*Classes will be offered only if enrolment is sufficient; some classes may be combined with others.*

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**Recital:** An instructor recital will be held on **Wednesday April 15<sup>th</sup>**. There will be a silent auction and donations for the auction are greatly appreciated.

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**Facilities:** The school will be held at Queens House of Retreat - 601 Taylor Street W, Saskatoon. The facilities are located on 7 acres of land. The property is riverfront, and has gorgeous views overlooking the South Saskatchewan River. For more information see [www.queenshouse.org](http://www.queenshouse.org).

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**Recreation:** The City of Saskatoon has an abundance of things to see and do. Hang out with other students in the evenings at Queen's House, or check out some of Saskatoon's sights. Visit Tourism Saskatoon at [www.tourismsaskatoon.com](http://www.tourismsaskatoon.com) for ideas.

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**Supervision:** Students are supervised during class time only. Therefore students under the age of 18 must have their legal guardian or an appointed guardian present at the school if they are staying outside class hours.

*The legal appointed guardian that will be responsible for the minor student must be named in the appropriate section of the Application Form.*

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#### **Practical Matters:**

With the location of the school, it will be possible for students to attend without staying at Queen's House. Day students are welcome and can attend classes and choose to have up to 3 meals at Queen's House if they like.

Applications will be accepted up until Mar 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020; however, *enrolment will be limited*. Apply early. **Returning students will be given priority until Mar. 1, 2020. After that, enrolment will be on a first come, first served basis.** Each student must complete and submit the Application Form prior to camp. Class sizes will be limited. Applicants will check in **Monday** April 13 at 8:30am, and classes will begin **Monday** after check in. Check out will be noon **Friday** Apr 17. Extended stays or extra meal arrangements should be made with Queen's House directly.

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**Meals:** Breakfast, lunch, and supper are included for all students and available for day students as well. These are good home cooked meals!

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#### **Class Schedule:**

Auditions and Classes start Monday at 8:30 am  
Classes finish Friday at 12:00 pm  
Morning Classes: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm  
Afternoon Classes: 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm.

**Fees:**  
Tuition and Meals Resident Student \$575.00  
Tuition and Lunches Day Student \$475.00  
Late Fee if Registered after March 30, 2020 \$100.00  
Deposit: \$100.00

Hold your spot with a deposit.  
**Balance payable by March 30, 2020.**  
Deposit and Fees are non-refundable.

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**Application:** Fill out the *Application Form* and mail along with a cheque for your deposit to:

Lake Diefenbaker Pipe Band School  
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Saskatoon, SK  
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306-249-2939  
306-858-7409 cell  
[ldpbschool@gmail.com](mailto:ldpbschool@gmail.com)  
[robk@hotmail.ca](mailto:robk@hotmail.ca)

Check the school website at:  
<http://ldpipebandschool.weebly.com/>

Please make cheques payable to  
**"Lake Diefenbaker Pipe Band School Inc."**

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**Donations:** Are gratefully accepted. A number of volunteers have put in great time and effort to make this event happen. We strive to offer top instruction at reasonable rates. Please let us know if you are willing to contribute your time, goods, or a cash donation.

Donations for the **silent auction** are also accepted.

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#### Instructional Staff:

**Jack Lee:** is regarded as one of the world's leading pipers. As a Solo Piper, Jack has won all the top awards available including the Gold Medals at Oban and Inverness, and the Gold Clasp twice. Jack is the Pipe Sergeant and co-founder of the Simon Fraser University Pipe Band. The band has won 6 World Championships. It has also been an extremely consistent prizewinner at the World Championships during the past 30 years, having won either 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> on fifteen occasions. Jack dedicates many hours per week to private instruction at home and online around the world via Skype. Several of Jack's students have gone on to win major solo prizes in Scotland. Jack teaches at many workshops and piping schools throughout North America and beyond each year.

**Bob Worrall:** is one of North America's leading teachers, adjudicators and performers. Bob has won the North American Professional Championship an unprecedented seven times, and held the Ontario Championship Supreme title for 12 of his 13 years in professional competition. Bob is highly sought after as a teacher, both for piping workshops and private tuition, and he presents recitals throughout North America and abroad. Bob is on the panel of senior adjudicators for The Piobaireachd Society, qualified for both piobaireachd and light music. Bob is a respected composer, having published three collections of bagpipe music, and also having compositions in a large number of other collections.

**Ken Eller:** also known as "The Captain", has had a 60 year piping career ... 15 times a winner of the North American Pipe Band Championships with two bands: the 78th Fraser Highlanders (1992-2002) and as Pipe Major of the Clan MacFarlane Pipe Band (1971 – 1987). He is now retired from active competition and has expanded his teaching career with on line lessons at [www.thecaptainscorner.com](http://www.thecaptainscorner.com)

**John Fisher:** is one of the most versatile drummers and educators of our lifetime. His career has spanned over four decades dividing his passion between drum set and pipe band genres. John is a former North American Champion and was the lead drummer of the City of Victoria Pipe Band, member of the Shotts & Dykehead Drum Corps under the direction of the legendary Alex Duthart, and former lead drummer of the 78th Fraser Highlander Pipe Band and the Spirit of Scotland Pipe Band. With over 40 years experience as a drummer, performer, and educator, he has gained an international reputation as a master of technique, rhythm and musicality.

#### Reminder List:

##### Instrument:

- Bagpipes and practice chanter
- -or-
- Drum, practice pad, and sticks
- Smallpipes and other instruments if you have them.

##### Maintenance Items:

- Hemp, reeds, seasoning, etc.

##### Music

##### Recording Devices

- Paper, Music Manuscript, Pens, Recorders, etc.
- Tuner, Metronome

##### Clothes

- Bring summer wear for day and warmer evening clothes.

##### Snacks

- There is no canteen so you may want to bring chips, etc.

##### Meals included are:

- Breakfast
- Lunch
- Supper

*These are good home cooked meals!*

# 18th Annual Lake Diefenbaker Pipe Band School



**April 13-17, 2020**

**Queen's House of Retreat**  
[www.queenshouse.org](http://www.queenshouse.org)  
**Saskatoon, SK.**

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