



Here's what Elementary Schools are saying about HOJA:

"I would like to thank you for your wonderful performances (25 in all) in our school district. The response from all schools has been overwhelmingly positive. I was most impressed by the musicality and talent of the members and the abilities to manage the audience."

- Gordon Waters, North Okanagan-Shuswap School District #83, Salmon Arm, BC

"The performers are consummate professionals. Not only do they engage the audience and hold their attention, but they also convey a passion for music and a love of performing that will stay with the students long after the concert is over. Our Junior Kindergarten – Grade 8 students loved it!"

- Rita Bailey, St. Patrick School, Brantford, ON

"I personally am still reeling from the presentation. It exceeded all of my expectations. For the first time in my administrative career, I have had students coming into my office and saying 'Thank you Mr. Smith for bringing HOJA to our school.' A great show, great talent and I can't think of a better way to spend an hour of school time."

- Garry Smith, Principal, McCreary School, McCreary, MB

"The performance was the best entertainment we have ever booked – worth every penny! Our school has approximately 400 students from kindergarten to grade four. Every student in our gym was clapping, singing along or just sitting in awe – it was fabulous! We find it very hard to book groups that are age appropriate and not boring or inappropriate for our entire school to take part in. HOJA's performance exceeded our demands and we would highly recommend them."

- Julia McKay, Principal, Kelsey Elementary School, The Pas, MB

"Our school staff strongly supports Arts in Education and we all felt that your show was a wonderful way to have our students exposed to a different type of music presentation and to have contact with such positive role models as yourselves."

- D. Rhenisch, Principal, 150 Mile House Elementary, 150 Mile House, BC

"I have been teaching with the Halton District School Board for seventeen years and the HOJA performance has been my favourite group assembly."

- Susan Reddon, John T. Tuck Public School, Burlington, ON

"You kept the kids spellbound for a good hour, and they were sorry when it was over. Thank you for taking the time to speak personally with some of the students after the performance. One boy in particular, the only boy in our school choir, will never forget your words of encouragement."

- Lois Koop, Principal, Francois Lake Elementary, Francois Lake, BC

"We haven't had anything like this before that has captured the students' interest and attention like this performance."

- Stephen Jaddock, Principal, Smith-Jackson Elementary, Dauphin, MB

"HOJA's performance was outstanding. The singing was fabulous and the students enjoyed the choice of songs."

- Emily Vera, Tomekichi Homma Elementary, Richmond, BC

"The level of maturity HOJA showed when one of our students asked a very inappropriate question impressed me. They diffused the question without the student being embarrassed and in a way that was appropriate for a K-9 crowd. Furthermore, HOJA was very polite and professional at all times in our school."

- Rob Tomlinson, Vice Principal, Major Pratt School, Russell, MB