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EDUCATION

M.M., Colorado State University, Conducting (2012)

B.M.E., Harding University, Music Education (2005)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **Harding University**, Director of Bands and Orchestra, Instrumental Coordinator, Music Education Coordinator, August 2019 - Current Director of the Thundering Herd Marching Band, Wind Ensemble, and Orchestra. Teaching Music Appreciation, Conducting, Instrumental Music Methods, and Marching Methods.
- **Oklahoma Christian University**, Director of Band and Orchestra, August 2017-Current
Director of the Symphonic Band and Chamber Orchestra. Teaching Music Appreciation, Brass Methods, and Secondary Instrumental Music Methods. Trumpet instructor, Liaison to the Oklahoma Community Orchestra, and Liaison to the Department of Education.
- **Colorado State University**, Student of Conducting, Summer 2010-Summer 2012
Studied under Dr. Harlan D. Parker, Peabody Conservatory; Wes Kenney, Colorado State University; Dr. Eric Hammer, University of Pacific; Dr. James Kim, CSU Choral; Dr. Dwight Bigler, Virginia Tech. Conducted professional band, choral, and orchestral ensembles through standard repertoire. Studied under professors from around the nation on topics such as instrumental and vocal methods, music history, performance practices throughout history, and jazz history, theory, and pedagogy.
- **Widefield High School**, Director of Bands, August 2008-May 2017
Directed 3 concert bands, jazz band, and marching band. Expanded the Widefield High School Band program from 100 students to 200 students, achieving superior and excellent rankings for the concert bands, marching band, and jazz band. In 2011, led the Gladiator Marching Band to their first appearance in the Colorado Marching Band State Championships and continued their success in 2014, placing the highest in the school's history. Created the curriculum and taught music theory. Formed and directed the Widefield High School Symphonic Orchestra. Conducted the musicals *Oklahoma*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, and *Seussical*. Consistently led students to honor bands, including All-State Band and All-State Jazz Band.
- **Otero Junior College**, Adjunct Professor of Music Appreciation, Spring 2007-Spring 2008
Taught college students music appreciation for three semesters. Developed additional supplemental material and projects to enhance the standard Colorado Community College Curriculum.
- **La Junta High School**, Director of Bands, August 2005-May 2008
Directed high school concert band, jazz band, marching band, and taught music theory and color guard. Introduced the La Junta High School Band to the large group festivals, receiving superior and excellent rankings. Led the La Junta High School Marching Band to two appearances at semifinals at the Colorado State Marching Competition. Also co-taught beginning band at the elementary school.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

- **Widefield High School**, Performing Arts Department Faculty Leader, August 2011-May 2017
Administered the different performing areas in the department, including choir, orchestra, and drama. Supervised department budgets and expenses, concert planning, fundraising, curriculum, and human resources. Initiated the addition of two more orchestra ensembles. Department had grown to include over one-third of the school's 1300 population.
- **Widefield School District**, Music Resource Team/CAP, August 2012-May 2017
Met with other music educators in Widefield School District to create and develop curriculum and common formative assessments in order to meet state and national changes in standards and practices.
- **Widefield High School**, Gladiator Marching Band Program, August 2008-May 2017
Developed a network of visual and musical staff from around the state to help establish a program worthy of state-level competition and established a parent volunteer group to build the marching band program from 38 to 120 members.
- **Colorado All-State Band Audition Host Site Coordinator**, August 2005-May 2017
Organized and supervised the All-State Band Audition Site at La Junta High School and at Widefield High School. Coordinated efforts between band directors, judges, and student volunteers throughout the state of Colorado.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND DEVELOPMENT

- College Band Directors National Association Conference (2016-current)
- National Association for Music Educators (formerly MENC)
- Colorado Music Educators Association
- Colorado Bandmasters Association
- University of Northern Colorado Conducting Symposium
- Led Roundtable discussions in Assessment and Curriculum at All-State Honor Band
- Certified through CDE to teach K-12 Music in the state of Colorado.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Conducted the Oklahoma Chamber Honor Orchestra
- Outstanding Band Student at Harding University
- Band President and Manager at Harding University