

# **Virginia Band and Orchestra Directors' Association**

## **District VII Junior & Senior High All-District Band Concert**

### Guest Clinicians

Mr. Jonathan Nichols, Junior Concert Band

Mr. Harry Farmer, Junior Symphonic Band

Mr. Trey Harris, Senior Concert Band

Dr. John Stanley Ross, Senior Symphonic Band



**February 3rd, 2018**

Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center  
Abingdon, Virginia



# Program Repertoire

*To be selected from the following:*

## Junior Concert Band, *Mr. Jonathan Nichols*

Acclaim March	<i>Larry Clark</i>
Aliens Landing (in your backyard!)	<i>John Prescott</i>
Etowah	<i>Brian Balmages</i>
Gettysburg	<i>Brian Balmages</i>
Haunted Clocks	<i>Brian Balmages</i>
The Tempest	<i>Robert W. Smith</i>

## Junior Symphonic Band, *Mr. Harry Farmer*

Arabian Dances	<i>Roland Barrett</i>
Arikara	<i>James Meredith</i>
Ash Lawn Echoes	<i>Robert W. Smith</i>
El Toro	<i>Julie Griffin</i>
Shadows Unleashed	<i>Brian Balmages</i>
Sneak Attack!	<i>Richard L. Saucedo</i>

## Senior Concert Band, *Mr. Trey Harris*

All the Pretty Little Horses	<i>Andrew Boysen, Jr</i>
Hungarian Dance No. 5	<i>Johannes Brahms, arr. Robert Longfield</i>
Ice Breaker	<i>James L. Hosay</i>
(Risk) Everything for a Dream	<i>Richard L. Saucedo</i>
River Trail Exhibition	<i>Robert Sheldon</i>
Scramble	<i>Todd Stalter</i>

## Senior Symphonic Band, *Dr. John Stanley Ross*

An American Elegy	<i>Frank Ticheli</i>
Gold Dust <b>*VA Premiere*</b>	<i>Dr. Elaine Ross</i>
Raging Machines	<i>Brian Balmages</i>
Red Rock Mountain	<i>Rossano Galante</i>
Toccata	<i>Girolamo Frescobaldi</i>

# Jr. Concert Band: *Mr. Jonathan Nichols*

<b>Flute</b>		<b>Alto Saxophone</b>		<b>Trombone</b>	
Isaac Dye	Wallace Middle	Sarah Browningmills	Abingdon High	McKinzie Williams	E.B. Stanley Middle
Alexis Russell	Marion Middle	Nick Hardin	Twin Springs High	Brian Roark	John S. Battle High
Phoebe Price	Abingdon High	Megan Lowe	Richlands Middle	Makayla Rutledge	Wallace Middle
Sutton Hughes	Wallace Middle	Robert Cregger	Pulaski County High	Nathaniel Webb	Pulaski County High
Logan Singleton	John S. Battle High	Daniel Niermans	Abingdon High	Elora Hutchinson	J.I. Burton High
Amber Sexton	Grundy High	Lance Stanley	Eastside High	Hayden Miller	Damascus Middle
Mya Olivo	E.B. Stanley Middle			Dylan Wimmer	Patrick Henry High
Ellie Currie	Wallace Middle	<b>Tenor Saxophone</b>		Kasey Klier	Glade Spring Middle
Kylee Phillips	Jonesville Middle	David Yates	Wise County Christian		
Gracie Fergus	Galax High	Hunter Doss	Bland County High	<b>Euphonium</b>	
Shealin Pruitt	J.I. Burton High			Harper Adams	Chilhowie Middle
		<b>Baritone Saxophone</b>		Dylan Kestner	Wallace Middle
<b>Clarinet</b>		Brock Waddell	Pulaski Middle	Jeremiah Burks	Damascus Middle
Alex Haynes	Dublin Middle			Bracken Oliver	Coeburn Middle
Hanna Farley	Wallace Middle	<b>Trumpet</b>		Laura Vance	Wallace Middle
Amanda Stiltner	Damascus Middle	Nicholas Ward	Wallace Middle		
McKenzie Tate	Scott Memorial Middle	Anthony Nakhoul	E.B. Stanley Middle	<b>Tuba</b>	
Jayden Sisk	Wallace Middle	Cody Brogan	Chilhowie Middle	Joshua Leab	Wallace Middle
Baleigh Belcher	Glade Spring Middle	Ashlynn Booth	Chilhowie Middle	Jeremiah Pennington	Union Middle
Suzanna Porter	E.B. Stanley Middle	Kylie Bowman	Wallace Middle	Lillie Hayes	Glade Spring Middle
Kylie Banks	Wallace Middle	Scott Mahaney	Giles High	Brady Scardo	Wallace Middle
Anniston McGlothlin	Richlands Middle	Cale Smith	Virginia High	Jonathan O'neal	Wallace Middle
Natalie Sargent	Tazewell High	Mackenzie Ottinger	Glade Spring Middle	Todd Adams	Wallace Middle
Anabelle Hunter	Union Middle	McKenley Dales	Richlands High		
Laura Odham	Marion Middle	Blake Lizarraga	Eastside High	<b>Percussion</b>	
Sarai Rose	Wise County Christian	David Hayes	Pulaski County High	Drew Sturgill	Damascus Middle
Lynee Mason	Marion Senior High	Elly White	Dublin Middle	Zach Moore	Wallace Middle
Morgan Williams	Bland County High			Kenzie Rose	Wallace Middle
Autumn Salyers	Wallace Middle	<b>Horn</b>		Kolby Felty	Wallace Middle
Kaleigh Worley	Wallace Middle	Dustin Bloomer	Scott Memorial Middle	Lucas Barton	Richlands Middle
Nicole Webb	Pulaski Middle	Benjamin Shaffer	Wallace Middle	Shalyn Statzer	Wallace Middle
Isabelle Phillips	Glade Spring Middle	Joleigh Hughes	Wallace Middle	Laci Fleenor	Wallace Middle
Faith Reynolds	Wallace Middle			Grace Blankenship	Richlands Middle

# Jr. Symphonic Band: *Mr. Harry Farmer*

Flute		Clarinet (cont)		Horn	
Katelyn Gregory	Patrick Henry High	Mya Foster	Wallace Middle	Zachary Regin	Marion Middle
Bailey Moore	Glade Spring Middle	Hannah Beasey	E.B. Stanley Middle	Will Couch	Union Middle
Kelley Wilcox	Bland County High	Angelina Ault	Damascus Middle	McKenzie Tate	J.I. Burton High
Jennifer Knowlton	Grayson County High			Brenna Waites	Wallace Middle
Loren AbdelMessih	Wallace Middle	<b>Bass Clarinet</b>		Jacob Funk	Grayson County High
Anngel Gallihar	Union Middle	Veronica Slaughter	Wallace Middle	Makayla Jones	Wallace Middle
Jeni Holt	Abingdon High	Dalton Fore	Glade Spring Middle	Hannah Said	Virginia Middle
Bonnye Strickler	Wallace Middle	Kiana Hunsaker	Richlands High	Natalie Carter	E.B. Stanley Middle
Gracie Sutphin	Dublin Middle	Brianna Mullins	Union Middle		
Brianna Aldridge	J.I. Burton High			<b>Trombone</b>	
Kylee VanHoy	John S. Battle High	<b>Alto Saxophone</b>		Camille Vance	Dublin Middle
		Audra Horton	Damascus Middle	Rose Weitzman	Union Middle
<b>Oboe</b>		Brynne Nowicki	E.B. Stanley Middle	Abigale Bailey	E.B. Stanley Middle
Ryan Mix	Wallace Middle	Emily Fuller	Gate City Middle	Julia Crowder	Wallace Middle
Morgan Farmer	Pulaski Middle	Brandon Huggins	Damascus Middle	Luke Harrell	Abingdon High
		Matthew Easterly	Wallace Middle	Natalie Hay	E.B. Stanley Middle
<b>Bassoon</b>		Claire Hurd	Damascus Middle	Jeremy Leab	John S. Battle High
Mason Rose	Wallace Middle			Cassidy DeAses	Wallace Middle
Madison Dean	Gate City Middle	<b>Tenor Saxophone</b>			
		Carson Otey	Wallace Middle	<b>Euphonium</b>	
<b>Clarinet</b>		Justin Felts	George Wythe High	Ashton Bucklen	Richlands High
Kennedy Hubbard	Wallace Middle			Hailey Pike	Fort Chiswell Middle
Madgeline Statzer	Wallace Middle	<b>Baritone Saxophone</b>		Chinyere Mabry	Wallace Middle
Maggie Milhorne	Damascus Middle	Andruw Hunter	Union Middle	Preston Frazier	E.B. Stanley Middle
Paige Laidlaw	E.B. Stanley Middle			Aaron Mullins	Union High
Kaleigh Gutknecht	Virginia Middle	<b>Trumpet</b>			
Madison Morgan	E.B. Stanley Middle	Makayla Newman	Carroll County High	<b>Tuba</b>	
Chloe Collins	Central High	Jade Roper	Fort Chiswell High	Nathaniel Vargas	Virginia Middle
Preston Leonard	Wallace Middle	Rachel McQueary	Wallace Middle	Myra Seymore	Rural Retreat Middle
Abigail Belcher	Rural Retreat Middle	Kiley Lingerfelt	Glade Spring Middle	Jeremy Trivette	Damascus Middle
Jacob White	Richlands High	William Collins	E.B. Stanley Middle	Samuel Mittag	E.B. Stanley Middle
Sarah Stiltner	Glade Spring Middle	Zoe Chapman	Glade Spring Middle	Javier Hernandez	Pulaski Middle
Chloe Mizelle	Wallace Middle	Geoffrey Cook	Chilhowie High	Madeline Ryan	E.B. Stanley Middle
Juan Lopez	Abingdon High	Macey Alderman	Grayson County High		
Ella Osborne	Giles High	Maddie Bishop	Virginia Middle	<b>Percussion</b>	
Katie Umbarger	Scott Memorial Middle	Aligrace Buchanan	Twin Valley High	Elisabeth Rollins	Rye Cove Intermediate
Haven Gilly	Union Middle	Madison Lawson	Wallace Middle	Jak King	John S. Battle High
Makinzi Smith	Wallace Middle	Jayden Bailey	Damascus Middle	Jonathan Repass	Grayson County High
Natasha Caldwell	Twin Springs High			Corbin Birt	Virginia High
Wen Boswell-Bailey	Chilhowie Middle			Ashley Sooklal	E.B. Stanley Middle
Khristiyana Adams	Union Middle			Christian Stevens	Wallace Middle
				Calliope Koesters	E.B. Stanley Middle
				Ashby Bonin	E.B. Stanley Middle

# Sr. Concert Band: *Mr. Trey Harris*

Flute		Clarinet (cont)		Horn (cont)	
Katie Fuller	Gate City High	Logan Pearcy	Twin Springs High	Samantha Fox	Chilhowie High
Nataile Woods	Patrick Henry High	Maria Thompson	Abingdon High	Lucy Heffinger	Virginia High
Aspen Abner	Fort Chiswell High	Lynee Mason	Marion Senior High		
Adaline Nolley	Bland County High			<b>Trombone</b>	
Graci Summey	Chilhowie High	<b>Bass Clarinet</b>		Kaitlin McAllister	Chilhowie High
Antonia Hunter	Union High	Michaela Steele	Narrows High	Anya Nowicki	Abingdon High
Brooke Rasnick	Grundy High	Taylor Ratliff	Grundy High	Frank Miano	Twin Springs High
Kristel Moore	Gate City High	Jacob Knight	Virginia High	Nate Hardin	Twin Springs High
Erica Lane	Gate City High	Nikki Brown	Chilhowie High	Stephen Repass	Grayson County High
Heidi Adams	Chilhowie High			Bradley Fuller	Gate City High
Julianna Blevins	Chilhowie High	<b>Alto Saxophone</b>		Taylor Bowles	Lee High
		Jonathen Day	John S. Battle High	Alex Snapp	Patrick Henry High
<b>Oboe</b>		Chase Martin	John S. Battle High		
Maddison Miller	Rye Cove High	Sydney Matda	John S. Battle High	<b>Euphonium</b>	
Sophie Saliba	George Wythe High	Katlin Gray	John S. Battle High	David Sargent	Eastside High
Hannah White	Richlands High			Colton Horn	Twin Valley High
Kenzie White	Patrick Henry High	<b>Tenor Saxophone</b>		Hannah Lowery	John S. Battle High
		Ethan Templeton	Carroll County High	Logan Chandler	Chilhowie High
<b>Bassoon</b>		Shauna Shepard	Gate City Middle	James Oliver	Eastside High
Adam Poore	Patrick Henry High			<b>Tuba</b>	
Katelyn Collett	Marion Senior High	<b>Baritone Saxophone</b>		Kevin Nguyen	George Wythe High
		Samuel Goins	Carroll County High	Zoe Black	Bland County High
<b>Clarinet</b>		<b>Trumpet</b>		Paige Garrett	Chilhowie High
Kelsey Blevins	John S. Battle High	Hadrian Reeves	Tazewell High	Zachary Oneal	John S. Battle High
Emily Kornegay	Giles High	Emmaleigh Mullins	Virginia High	Isaac McCraw	Carroll County High
Miranda Howard	Lee High	Meghan Collins	Chilhowie High	Henry Hutzel	George Wythe High
Hailey Tyeryar	Bland County High	Claire Poston	John S. Battle High		
Marissa Sluss	Holston High	Peyton Mumpower	John S. Battle High	<b>Percussion</b>	
Faye Webb	Rural Retreat High	Letcher Jackson	Lee High	Evan Sooklal	Abingdon High
Haley Williams	Gate City High	Daniel Blair	Union High	William Rush	Chilhowie High
Catherine Butler	Galax High	Joshua Craddock	Union High	Isabel Gilbert	Richlands High
Ryleigh Clukey	Chilhowie High	Abby Bartz	Abingdon High	Dalton Johnson	John S. Battle High
Karley Akers	Fort Chiswell High	Jackson Powers	Chilhowie High	Isaac Baumgardner	John S. Battle High
Rebecca Martin	Chilhowie High	Jonathan Blair	Eastside High	Ronnie Bannon	Marion Senior High
Katie Bledsoe	Rye Cove High	Molly Dockery	Rye Cove High	Rebecca Collins	Abingdon High
Kinsey Tate	Galax High			Evan Nuckolls	Galax High
Kelsey Cornett	John S. Battle High	<b>Horn</b>		Bailey Justus	Honaker High
Olivia Owens	J.I. Burton High	Rielly Self	John S. Battle High		
Kristen Cornett	Holston High	Tate Bowles	Lee High		
Maya Young	Galax High	Emily Frye	Chilhowie High		
Connor Stein	Abingdon High	Benjamin Roman	Union High		
Kylie Thacker	Union High				
Rachel Conner	Virginia High				

# Sr. Symphonic Band: *Dr. John Stanley Ross*

## Flute

*Kathryn Belcher	Rural Retreat High
*Abigail Bowman	John S. Battle High
*Chloe Rumley	Richlands High
*Amanda Pierce	Grayson County High
*Kaitlyn Overstreet	John S. Battle High
Kelsey Williams	Narrows High
Travis Stanley	Central High
Amanda Wu	John S. Battle High
Alexa Shockley	Narrows High
Kaitlyn McNulty	Richlands High
Blakeley Scott	John S. Battle High

## Oboe

*Abby Merlette	John S. Battle High
*Jared Stanley	Abingdon High
Evan Munsey	Grayson County High
Ellen Woodard	Marion Senior High

## Bassoon

*Abbie Thompson	Gate City High
*Diana Schmidt	Holston High

## Clarinet

*Alexandria Harrison	Richlands High
*Courtney Cassell	Gate City High
*Molly Frazier	John S. Battle High
*Maggie Capell	John S. Battle High
*Lilly Moore	John S. Battle High
*Emily Tucker	Patrick Henry High
*Emily Blevins	Chilhowie High
*Laura Horton	Carroll County High
Joshua Thacker	Grundy High
Elijah Dye	John S. Battle High
Kamryn Vandyke	Grundy High
Grace Sharrett	John S. Battle High
Emilee Jerrell	Rye Cove High
Ember Ward	Pulaski County High
Alexis Horton	Richlands High
Logan Greear	Eastside High
Elizabeth Moore	Twin Springs High
Claire Hardy	Grayson County High

## Clarinet (cont)

Kendal Taylor	Patrick Henry High
Darlene Mcdaniel	John S. Battle High
Jeremiah Jarrett	John S. Battle High
Binal Patel	George Wythe High
Trinity Witt	John S. Battle High
Lindsey Seay	Rye Cove High

## Bass Clarinet

*Rainni Crutchfield	Chilhowie High
*Joshua Albert	John S. Battle High
Sarah Shuler	Lee High
Victoria Pickle	Northwood High

## Contrabass Clarinet

*Oliver Lovern	Marion Senior High
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## Alto Saxophone

*Gao Yang Chen	Virginia High
*Matthew Rhoten	Union High
Zachary Chapman	Gate City High
Lindsey Wu	John S. Battle High

## Tenor Saxophone

*Jacob Short	Pulaski County High
Zachary Sheckells	Rural Retreat High

## Baritone Saxophone

*Brennen Berry	Rye Cove High
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## Trumpet

*Kelvin Vo	Union High
*Matti Byrd	Grayson County High
*Olivia Cochrane	John S. Battle High
*Britney Bennett	John S. Battle High
Kaitlyn Farthing	George Wythe High
Andrew Crowder	John S. Battle High
William Roe	Virginia High
Jackson Fleenor	John S. Battle High
Sawyer Miller	Gate City High
Catie Robinson	Patrick Henry High
Elizabeth Keohane	Abingdon High
Grace Dale	John S. Battle High

## Horn

*Thomas Roberts	Abingdon High
*Tyler Starnes	Rye Cove High
*Reagan Honaker	John S. Battle High
*Caleb Rose	John S. Battle High
Kayla Weston	Lee High
Alex Medearis	Abingdon High
Eden Greer	J.I. Burton High
Sydney Linkous	Wise Co. Christian

## Trombone

*Alex McMurray	John S. Battle High
*Isaiah Strouth	Twin Springs High
*Richmond Reed	John S. Battle High
*Cade Mullins	Patrick Henry High
Em Poff	Union High
Jared Kluttz	Abingdon High
Zakk Trent	John S. Battle High
Samantha Hampton	Union High

## Euphonium

*Jeremiah Lewis	Patrick Henry High
*Evan Miller	John S. Battle High
Alexander Roberts	Chilhowie High
Maggie Clendenen	John S. Battle High
Dylan Forster	Abingdon High

## Tuba

*Skyler Burkett	Patrick Henry High
*Isaiah Hutton	Chilhowie High
Mason Vaughn	Twin Springs High
Joshua Richardson	John S. Battle High
Brandon Ringley	John S. Battle High
Spencer Boggs	Eastside High

## Percussion

*Tiffany McCoy	John S. Battle High
*Dustin Sorrell	John S. Battle High
*Wesley Bratton	John S. Battle High
*Sydney Pepper	John S. Battle High
Connor Bartz	Abingdon High
Bradley Blackstone	John S. Battle High
Sawyer Smith	Carroll County High
Madeline Fowler	George Wythe High

**\* denotes All-State eligibility**

# Clinician Biographies: Junior Bands

## **Mr. Jonathan Nichols, *Junior Concert Band***

Director of Bands, Holston Middle School

Mr. Jonathan Nichols is in his fourteenth year as a music educator, his twelfth year serving as Director of Bands at Holston Middle School in Sullivan County, Tennessee. He graduated from East Tennessee State University with a Bachelor's degree in Music Education in 2003. He also earned a Master's degree in Educational Leadership at Carson-Newman in May of 2017. Mr. Nichols' students consistently earn seats in the Sullivan County Honors Band, ETSBOA Regional Honors Band, and earn superior ratings from the ETSBOA Solo & Ensemble Festival.

## **Mr. Harry Farmer, *Junior Symphonic Band***

Director of Bands, Blacksburg Middle School

Harry Farmer hails from Princeton, West Virginia and was educated in the Mercer County Public School system. He received his Bachelor of Music from West Virginia University in 1996 and his Master of Music with an emphasis in music education from George Mason University in 2009. He has done additional coursework at Illinois State University and James Madison University. In 1995, his saxophone quartet was a Young Artist Award winner at WVU. That summer he played in the "Untouchables Band" at Paramount's King's Dominion. He has also performed in the West Virginia University Wind and Jazz Ensembles, the Bluefield State College Jazz Band, the Pittsburgh Civic Orchestra and the Lynchburg College Wind Symphony and Jazz Band. He continues to perform with many local ensembles.

From 1996-2015, Mr. Farmer was the Director of Bands at Forest Middle School. During that time he generated staggering growth in the FMS band program, going from approximately one hundred-fifty students to over four hundred. After Mr. Farmer's tenure at FMS, he became the Director of Bands at Buford Middle School in Charlottesville, Va. The enrollment in bands classes went from seventy-five students to over one hundred thirty during his two years there (2015-2017). Currently, Mr. Farmer is in his first year as Director of Bands at Blacksburg Middle School in Blacksburg, Va.

Under his direction, both the Buford and Forest Middle School bands have earned consistent superior ratings at the V.B.O.D.A. Concert Assessment. In November of 2013, the Forest Middle Symphonic Band, under Mr. Farmer's direction, had the honor of being selected to perform at the Virginia Music Educators Conference at The Homestead in Hot Springs, Va. which is the highest honor a middle school band program can receive in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Mr. Farmer has been recognized by the Virginia Band and Orchestra Directors Association and has a Citation of Excellence from the National Band Association for outstanding contributions to the Forest Middle School band program. He is also listed in Who's Who Among America's Teachers. Mr. Farmer was voted the "Top Teacher" in *Lynchburg Living* magazine's inaugural teacher awards issue for the 2014-15 school year. From 2003-2015 he also taught applied saxophone, applied clarinet, jazz ensemble, woodwind methods, brass methods and saxophone quartet as adjunct faculty at Lynchburg College and Randolph College. Mr. Farmer has served as a clinician and judge throughout Virginia and West Virginia. Mr. Farmer and his wife Lesley live in Blacksburg, Va. They have two sons--Sam, age 10 and Keaton, age 5.



# Clinician Biographies: Senior Bands

## **Mr. Trey Harris, *Senior Concert Band***

Director of Bands, Bassett High School

Trey Harris, a native of Florida, was raised in Elizabethton, Tennessee, where he attended Elizabethton High School. He is a graduate of East Tennessee State University with a BA in Music Education. While at ETSU, he was a member of the Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, Marching Band, Jazz Band, Trumpet Ensemble, Faculty Brass Quintet, Men's Choir, Mixed Chorale, and the 7 Bucs Worth Men's Ensemble. He studied trumpet with Dr. James O'Donnell.

Mr. Harris started his career as the Assistant Director of Bands at Pulaski County High School in 1995. There he was an integral part of the Concert Band, Marching Band, and Winter Guard programs. In 1996 Mr. Harris began his tenure with the Bassett band program. During this time, the band at Bassett High School has grown from 75 students to over 160. They have consistently received superior ratings with all ensembles at the VBODA Concert and Marching Assessments, as well as numerous local, regional, state, and national awards. In 2012 the Bassett Symphonic Band was selected to play at the Virginia Music Educators State Convention held at The Homestead in Hot Springs, Virginia.

In 2013, Mr. Harris was named the Teacher of the Year for Bassett High School. In that same year he was named the Teacher of the Year for the Henry County Public School system as well as the Region 6 Teacher of the Year for the state of Virginia. In November of 2013, Mr. Harris was named the Music Educator of the Year for the state of Virginia at the VMEA State Conference in Hot Springs, VA.

Mr. Harris has served as a clinician, judge, conductor, and designer across the country, involved with groups from Tennessee, Virginia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Florida, Wisconsin, Georgia, Louisiana, Texas, and Kentucky. Additionally, he served as a staff member with the 2009 and 2010 All-American Marching Band as well as the Wind Track director for the Western Carolina University Summer Symposium. He has also been a part of many podcast recordings on The Marching Roundtable.

Mr. Harris resides in Bassett, Virginia with his wife, Sheri, and their two daughters Anne Catherine and Addison.

## **Dr. John Stanley Ross, *Senior Symphonic Band***

Director of Bands, Appalachian State University

Dr. John Stanley Ross is Director of Bands and Associate Professor of Music in the Hayes School of Music at Appalachian State University where he serves on the graduate faculty, conducts the Appalachian Wind Ensemble, Chamber Winds and Concert Band, teaches courses in graduate and undergraduate conducting, supervises student teachers, serves as the advisor for the Rho Tau chapter of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia and the Appalachian Chapter of the National Band Association, and guides all aspects of the ASU BANDS program. He is a frequent guest conductor, adjudicator and clinician throughout the United States and has also conducted in China, Romania, and South Korea. Ensembles under his direction have performed at state conferences in Michigan, Minnesota, and North Carolina and at the American School Band Directors Association National Convention and the Mid-West International Band and Orchestra Clinic. Awards received include the 2016 Appalachian State University Global Leadership Medal, 2008-2009 Honors Edition of Who's Who Among Executives and Professionals, Phi Beta Mu International School Bandmaster Fraternity, Who's Who Among America's Teachers, Who's Who In America, Who's Who for Professionals, the Minnesota Band Director's Association Award, National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts, and the Citation of Excellence from the National Band Association. He has commissioned and arranged several works for winds and has conducted over thirty world premieres. Dr. Ross has studied conducting with John L. Whitwell, H. Robert Reynolds, Larry Rachleff, Frederick Fennell, Elizabeth A. H. Green, and Gustav Meier, among many others. Dr. Ross is a member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Kappa Kappa Psi, the College Band Directors National Association, the National Band Association, the College Music Society and the World Association for Symphonic Bands and Ensembles.



## **Participating Schools and Directors**

Abingdon High School	<i>Gary Holley</i>	Jonesville Middle School	<i>Chris Aker</i>
Bland County High School	<i>Jared Perdue</i>	Lee High School	<i>Chris Aker</i>
Carroll County High School	<i>Mike Farina</i>	Marion Middle/Senior High School	<i>Brandon Guffey</i>
Central High School	<i>Ben Harding</i>	Narrows High School	<i>Karyn Spade</i>
Chilhowie Middle/High School	<i>William "J.J." Green</i>	Northwood Middle/High School	<i>Erica Johnson</i>
Coeburn Middle School	<i>Chad Brooks</i>	Norton Middle School	<i>Ryan Huntington</i>
Damascus Middle School	<i>Bob Ballengee, Logan Childress</i>	Patrick Henry High School	<i>Pete Marcum</i>
E.B. Stanley Middle School	<i>Beverly Campbell, Uley Daniels</i>	Powell Valley Middle School	<i>Kim Sturgill</i>
Eastside High School	<i>Chad Brooks</i>	Pulaski County High School	<i>Matthew Warnock</i>
Fort Chiswell Middle/High School	<i>Frank Pugh</i>	Pulaski Middle School	<i>Kevin Faller</i>
Galax High School	<i>Allison Deel, Linda Bartlett</i>	Richlands Middle/High School	<i>Bruce Miller</i>
Gate City High School	<i>Rick Lake</i>	Rural Retreat Middle/High School	<i>Thomas Hilliker</i>
Gate City Middle School	<i>Scot Fleming</i>	Rye Cove High School	<i>Sheila King</i>
George Wythe High School	<i>Dan Wilner, Scott Lewis</i>	Scott Memorial Middle School	<i>Dan Wilner, Scott Lewis</i>
Giles High School	<i>Amberly Westermeyer</i>	Tazewell Middle/High School	<i>Caitlin Hutchison</i>
Glade Spring Middle School	<i>Bob Ballengee, Pete Marcum</i>	Twin Springs High School	<i>Ryan Carpenter</i>
Graham High School	<i>Chuck Yost</i>	Twin Valley High School	<i>Tom Burniston</i>
Grayson County High School	<i>Taryn Wooten</i>	Union High School	<i>Kim Sturgill</i>
Grundy High School	<i>Tom Burniston</i>	Virginia High School	<i>Gary Skeen</i>
Holston High School	<i>Logan Childress</i>	Virginia Middle School	<i>Ben Parks</i>
Honaker High School	<i>Chandler Bartz</i>	Wallace Middle School	<i>Mark Collins, Will Shell</i>
J.I. Burton High School	<i>Ryan Huntington</i>	Wise County Christian School	<i>Donnie Henry</i>
John S. Battle High School	<i>Mark Collins, Will Shell</i>		



