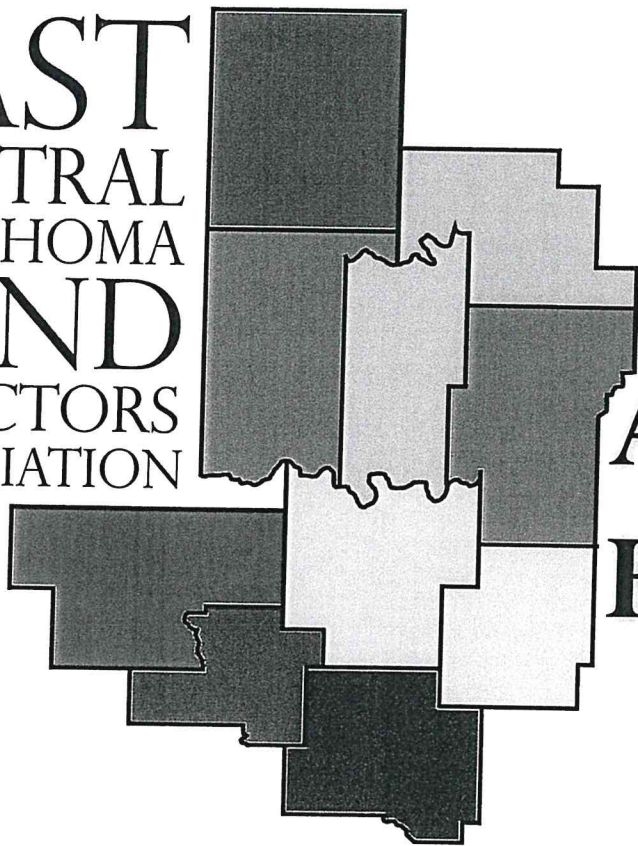


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Granby, CO



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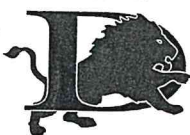
Blanchard High School
Blanchard, OK



HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Chris Gregg

Durant High School
Durant, OK



**EAST CENTRAL
UNIVERSITY**

*Hallie Brown Ford Fine Arts Center
Ataloo Theater*

JANUARY 14, 2023

2:00 PM

2023 EAST CENTRAL ALL-DISTRICT HONOR BANDS CONCERT

PROGRAM TO BE CHOSEN FROM THE FOLLOWING:

MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR BAND MR. BRYON CHURCH - CONDUCTOR

Band Chair: Travis Hathcote, Ada Junior High School / Percussion Chair: Audrey Johnson, McLoud High School

<i>Starfire Fanfare</i> (2020).....	Randall D. Standridge
<i>Rocky Mountain Romp</i> (2007).....	Brian Balmages
<i>Moonlight Bliss</i> (2022)	Adrian B. Sims
<i>The Forge</i> (2021)	Christina Huss
<i>All Aboard</i> (2014)	Matt Conaway

JUNIOR HIGH HONOR BAND MRS. JENN KAUFFMAN -CONDUCTOR

Band Chair: Steven Watson, Lindsey Middle School / Percussion Chair: Hank Patterson, Tishomingo High School

<i>Byzantine Dances</i> (2019).....	Carol Brittin Chambers
<i>Fireburst Fanfare</i> (2008).....	Roland Barrett
<i>Lullaby to the Moon</i> (2015).....	Brian Balmages
<i>March Zuma</i> (2000).....	John O'Reilly
<i>Spit-fire</i> (2013).....	William Owens

HIGH SCHOOL HONOR BAND MR. CHRIS GREGG - CONDUCTOR

Band Chair: Konnor Robertson, Konawa High School / Percussion Chair: Jay Cloar, Ada Junior High School

<i>Riders For the Flag</i> (1927).....	John Philip Sousa edited by Frederick Fennell
<i>First Suite in E-flat for Military Band</i> (1911).....	Gustav Holst
I <i>Chaconne</i>	
II <i>Intermezzo</i>	
III <i>March</i>	
<i>Gravity Wave</i> (2011)	Brian Balmages
<i>O Magnum Mysterium</i> (2003)	Morten Lauridson transcribed by H. Robert Reynolds
<i>The Raptor Rides the Whale</i> (2018)	Andrew David Perkins

2023 PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS & BAND DIRECTORS

Ada	<i>Richard Howard Jay Cloar Travis Hathcote</i>	McLoud	<i>Audrey Johnson</i>
Allen	<i>Devan Bettencourt</i>	Meeker	<i>Bailey Vaughn</i>
Bethel	<i>Steve Smith</i>	North Rock Creek	<i>Toppie Lincicome</i>
Byng	<i>Laura Smith Christopher Bragg</i>	Okemah	<i>John Kerr</i>
Chandler	<i>Rachel Karger</i>	Pauls Valley	<i>Drew Etheredge Hannah Wilson Gunnar Long</i>
Cushing	<i>Danny White Julian Jussila Ryan Smith Taylor Langston</i>	Prague	<i>Cari Moll Nicole Cooper</i>
Dale	<i>Nick Noble* Alex Benito Jennifer Galloway</i>	Seminole	<i>Steve Johnson</i>
Davis	<i>Blade Bigler</i>	Shawnee	<i>Christopher Hall Jackson Anderson Madison Riesenberg</i>
Elmore City-Pernell ...	<i>Stephen McCleskey</i>	Stroud	<i>Kevin Couch</i>
Grove	<i>Sarah Benito</i>	Sulphur	<i>Edward Sallee</i>
Holdenville	<i>Sam Crosby McKean Akin</i>	Tecumseh	<i>John Outon David Bellows</i>
Konawa	<i>Konner Robertson</i>	Tishomingo	<i>Hank Patterson Melany Patterson Michael Waters</i>
Lindsey	<i>Shelby Sanders Steven Watson</i>	Wayne	<i>Kari Westmoreland</i>
Maysville	<i>Tony Bertolozzi Gunner Donham</i>	Weleetka	<i>Zach Hawkins</i>
		Wellston	<i>Michelle Garrison</i>
		Wynnewood	<i>Keith Huitt</i>

* ECOBDA President



MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR BAND - MR. BRYON CHURCH

Byron Church is currently in his third year as the band director at East Grand Middle School in Granby, CO. Previously he spent 14 years as the band director at Highland West Junior High in Moore, OK, from 2006 until 2020. He also served as Associate Director of Bands at Southmoore High School from 2008 until 2020. Prior to the opening of Southmoore High School, Mr. Church served as an associate band director at Moore High School from 2006 to 2008.

Mr. Church is a graduate of Ada High School and East Central University, both in Ada, OK. He is a National Board Certified Teacher in Early Adolescent/Young Adult Music. Mr. Church was the Highland West Junior High Teacher of the Year in 2012, the Moore Public Schools District Teacher of the Year in 2013, and was named an Oklahoma Rising Star Teacher later the same year. He has served as an honor band clinician for the Southwestern Oklahoma Band Directors Association, East Central Oklahoma Band Directors Association, Central Oklahoma Directors Association, Shortgrass Honor Band, Route 66 Honor Band, Tecumseh Honor Band, and SWOSU Band Camp. He has also served as

judge at the Winter Park Ski-Music Festival. Mr. Church is currently pursuing a Master's Degree in Music Education at Kansas State University. Once upon a time, long, long ago, he was also a member of the ECBDA Honor Band.

Mr. Church is an avid outdoor and mountain enthusiast. He enjoys running, cycling, mountain biking, backpacking, kayaking, and snowboarding. He is also the drummer in a Colorado-based rock band. He currently lives in Granby, CO.

JUNIOR HIGH HONOR BAND - MRS. JENN KAUFFMAN

Jenn Kauffman has been the head director in Blanchard since 2006. Jenn started her career in 2003 in Maysville where her band was recognized with the OSSAA Sweepstakes Award in her third year, the only class A school that year to earn this prestigious award. Since teaching in Blanchard, the bands have maintained a reputation of excellence and earned many achievements including OSSAA Sweepstakes Awards, OBA Finalist designations, Distinguished Academic Achievement Awards, and performed as an OkMEA Honor Group. Her bands have performed across the country in Orlando, Seattle, Washington DC, and New York City. While achievements and awards are important, her hope is that all of her students will leave the Blanchard Band program loving music and being good human beings.



Jenn has been the president of the South Central Oklahoma Band Directors Association, the Southwestern Oklahoma Band Directors Association, twice presided over the Oklahoma Small School Band Directors Association, and has served on the OkMEA All-State Band Committee. She was the treasurer of the Oklahoma Bandmasters Association from 2010-2015 and served as President in 2016-2017. She is currently the President of the band division of the Oklahoma Music Adjudicators Association, the secretary/treasurer of the Southwestern Oklahoma Band Directors Association, the OkMEA Band Vice-President, and was honored to be chosen as the 2021 OBA Band Director of the Year. Jenn is also passionate about mentoring young directors and regularly has student teachers and participates in OkMEA's mentorship program. Jenn is a proud graduate of the University of Oklahoma where she had the great fortune of being taught and mentored by Mr. Gene Thrailkill and Dr. Michael Raiber.

Jenn and her husband Trey live in Tuttle with their cats, Sam and Sunny. They enjoy traveling, especially to visit their nieces, Madelyn and Olivia, the lights of their lives.



HIGH SCHOOL HONOR BAND - MR. CHRIS GREGG

Chris Gregg is currently the band director at Durant High School and the Coordinator of Instrumental Music for the Durant Public Schools. He college at Southeastern Oklahoma State University earning a bachelor's degree in music education and Music Theory and a master's in education.

In 1992 Chris began his teaching career at Fox, Oklahoma. During his first and only year at Fox the band received a Superior rating at the OSSAA Regional Marching Contest after numerous years of low ratings. He continued his teaching career in Antlers, Oklahoma. From 1993-1998, Mr. Gregg took the Antlers band to new heights. Building on the strong traditional teaching of Stanley Rains, the Antlers H.S. Band won numerous 1st division ratings, the OSSAA Sweepstakes Award, and in 1997 they represented the State of Oklahoma at the 75th Anniversary of

the Lincoln Memorial in Washington D.C. After five successful years at Antlers, Mr. Gregg returned to Durant in 1998 to take the Durant Middle School Director job, a position he held for two years. In the fall of 2000 Mr. Gregg became the director of the Durant H.S. Band.

The DHS Band has earned numerous OSSAA Sweepstakes Awards and earned first division ratings for 24 of 26 years at Regional Marching Contest. Under the direction of Mr. Gregg, the Pride of Durant has represented the State of Oklahoma in Washington DC at the commemoration of the World War II Monument, the Auto Zone Liberty Bowl Grand Champion in 2009 and 2012, and 2015, the Valero Alamo Bowl Grand Champion in 2011, and has earned honors at various invitational contests all over the country. The DHS Band performed as an Honor Band at the 2013 *Oklahoma Music Educator's Association* All-State Convention. He was also awarded the *Oklahoma Bandmasters Association* Director of the Year for 2014. He attributes his success to a great family, fantastic students, a wonderful staff, and last but not least a relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

Mr. Gregg has a lovely wife Leslie-great mom and successful Durant Middle/Intermediate School Band Director, six wonderful children: Macey and Husband Chris Dickson, Andrew and wife Kassie Gregg, and Matthew and wife Emily Gregg. Chris also has six grandkids-Lydia, Sophia, CJ, and Eli Gregg and Hayden and Carma Williams.

Mr. Gregg's professional affiliations include: *OkMEA*, *OBA*, *OMAA*, *NFIMA* and is serving in his 20th year as the *Southeastern Oklahoma Band Director's Association* President. Chris is also on staff with the Oklahoma Music Ambassadors of Music. Mr. Gregg is a member of the Oklahoma Baptist Symphony Orchestra. Chris attends the First Baptist Church in Durant.