

## Biography

The Music Man is originally from Imperial, Nebraska. He received his bachelor's degree in Music Education from the University of Nebraska-Kearney and taught Instrumental Music at Red Cloud Community Schools in Nebraska for 4 years.

The Music Man moved to Arlington, Texas and received his Masters of Music Education at the University of North Texas in Denton. After this, he was employed for the next 16 years with the Dallas Independent School District. During this time, he was Assistant Director at Bryan Adams High School, started new band programs at Colonial and Dunbar Learning Centers, and was for 10 years the Band Director at Thomas J. Rusk Middle School, where he developed the program from one with one band and 26 students to a comprehensive program including 3 levels of instruction and over 200 students annually. In 1999, Rusk became the first middle school in Dallas to have 2 groups ranked in the top 5 of all 26 middle schools in concert/sightreading competition.

For the last 5 years, The Music Man has been the Director of Music at Alconbury. In addition to teaching music, he enjoys travel, reading, and Nebraska Cornhusker football.

## Current Events

Jan. 29            Last day to make audition tapes for DoDDS-EU Honor Music Festival  
                         And to complete the on-line application form.