

# RESUME – Brian Pollard

## Education:

M.Ed. – Music Education, Texas A&M University-Commerce, Commerce, Texas 2001

B.M. – Music Education, University of North Texas, Denton, Texas 1992

## Certifications:

Principal Certificate – Lamar University, Beaumont, Texas 2013

Teacher Certificate – All Level Music, Provisional, Lifetime – Texas



## Administrative and Leadership Experience

Head Director of Bands, Nimitz High School, Irving, Texas 2013-Present

- Oversee all aspects of 5A band program
- Supervise and evaluate contract and district employees in interactions with students
- Direct the day-to-day operation of the marching band, 3 concert bands, and jazz band
- Oversee Winterguard and Winter Percussion Programs
- Coordinate and Oversee Instrumental Presentation in School Musical
- Coordinate and Oversee Wind Parts in full symphony orchestras
- Oversee all aspects of the Nimitz Band Boosters

*Head Director of Bands, Winston Churchill High School, San Antonio, Texas 2009-Present*

- Applied for and was accepted into the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade for 2014
- Oversaw all aspects of this highly competitive, nationally recognized 5A band program
- Supervised and evaluated up to 15 contract and district employees in interactions with students
- Directed the day-to-day operation of the marching band, 4 concert bands, and 3 jazz band
- Oversaw Winterguard and Winter Percussion Programs
- Coordinated and Oversaw Instrumental Presentation in School Musical
- Coordinated and Oversaw Wind Parts in two full symphony orchestras
- Oversaw all aspects of the Churchill Band Parent's Association
- Maintained recognition of Churchill High School bands on a regional, state, and national level

*Head Director of Bands, Fossil Ridge High School, Keller, Texas 2001-2008*

- Oversaw all aspects of this highly competitive, nationally recognized 5A band program
- Supervised and evaluated up to 8 contract and district employees in interactions with students
- Implemented changes needed to take the program from 4A level to 5A level
- Oversaw all aspects of the Fossil Ridge Band Parent's Association
- Maintained recognition of Fossil Ridge High School bands on a state and national level

## Professional Honors

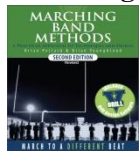
*Elected Member of the University Interscholastic League's Music Advisory Committee 2003-2005*

- Advocated for over 80 high school music programs in Texas' Regions 2 and 5 as representative to the University Interscholastic League's Music Advisory Committee
- Proposed a change, which was accepted, of regulations regarding hours of practice allowable in August for High School marching bands.

*Accepted into membership of the Texas Music Adjudicators Association 2011-Present*

- Adjudicate UIL contest for concert and sight-reading contests across the state of Texas

## Publishing and Product Development



*Primary Author: Marching Band Methods: A Practical Approach to Techniques and Design*

- College textbook designed for marching band methods class originally published in 2007, currently developing the 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition



*Primary Designer – VDrill Marching Band Drill Writing Software*

- The most user-friendly drill writing software on the market, originally created in 2005, most recent release 2011

## Related work experience

*Founder, B&B Design Concepts, LLC Fort Worth, Tx. 1997-Present*

- Wrote marching band drill for numerous high schools in the Southwestern United States
- Assisted in coordination of visual and/or musical programs for marching presentation
- Acted as clinician for schools to present educational, entertaining and competitive shows
- Educated directors and students in methods for marching fundamentals and visual execution
- Taught student leadership skills to groups of students to enhance local programs

## Presentations

Pollard, B. (2010, July). *Techniques of Student Leadership*. Presentation at Churchill High school for Troubadour Consultants, LLC and attending bands, San Antonio, Tx.

Pollard, B and Youngblood, B. (2008, April). *Marching Band Drill Design*. Presentation for the University of Oklahoma Marching Band Methods Class, Norman, Ok.

Pollard, B. (2007, June). *Effective Marching Band Design*. Presentation for Fort Worth Independent School District Band Directors, Fort Worth, Tx.

## Philosophy of Arts in Education

The greatest part of being an educator is, of course, witnessing student growth. I believe the arts create a unique environment where students can achieve fantastic things through imagination and individualism while remaining grounded in the principles of self-discipline and meticulous preparation. A well-run, well-integrated fine arts department is an essential tool for a school system and will create an atmosphere for relevant learning and life experiences so that all students will become critical thinkers, leaders and contributors in a diverse and competitive world.

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