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Experience**Schools District of the Chathams/Teacher of Music**

September 2019 – June 2025, Chatham, NJ

As a .49 music teacher, giving group lessons to students in grades 4-5 and assisting with Concert Band classes.

JAZZ HOUSE KiDS/Senior Director of Music + Education

July 2018 – August 2019, Montclair, NJ

The Senior Director of Music + Education for JAZZ HOUSE KiDS is a supports the overarching goal to facilitate access to the arts for all and to engage young people so they may become community leaders and global citizens through the art form of jazz while building rich cultural programming in communities. This role is responsible for strategic oversight and continued growth of the organization. This position works closely with the Artistic Director and Founder of the organization to execute the mission of creating a safe, diverse, and inclusive learning environment with uncompromising standards for jazz education and performance excellence. The position of Senior Director of Music + Education oversees the day-to-day management of programming at the Jazz House, in the schools and in the community, including the Montclair Jazz Festival. The Senior Director of Music + Education advances programming that provides greater access to the highest quality arts programming in the area of instrumental youth, vocal and adult programming.

Elizabeth Public Schools / Supervisor of Music

August 2012 – July 2018, Elizabeth, NJ

Supervised, observed and evaluated over 80 Music, Dance and Drama Faculty Grades Pre K through 12, oversee budgetary responsibilities for the department, staffing and assignments, curriculum development and revision, After School and Summer Arts Programs and serve on multiple committees for the district.

Newark Public Schools / Master Teacher

July 2011 - July 2012, Newark, NJ

My responsibilities were to work with faculty who were facing challenges in pedagogy and work with the Director of Fine and Performing Arts to strategize corrective action plans for improvement.

Newark Public Schools / Music Teacher

September 2000 - July 2011, Newark, NJ

Music teacher at Arts High School. My responsibilities were teaching Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Jazz Band, Latin Band, Brass Ensemble, Percussion Ensemble, Music Theory, Music History and Music Technology. I also performed the duties of Musical Director and advised the Tri-M Honor Society, Pep Band, Gospel Choir and Step Team. I also served on Curriculum Writing committees.

Jersey City Public Schools / Music Teacher

September 1990 - July 2000, Jersey City, NJ

Music teacher at the Visual and Performing Arts High School Program. My responsibilities were teaching Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Jazz Band, Latin Band, Brass Ensemble, Percussion Ensemble, Music Theory, Music History and Music Technology. I also performed the duties of Musical Director and advised the Tri-M Honor Society. I also served on Curriculum Writing committees.

Bayonne Public Schools / Music Teacher

September 1985 - July 1990, Bayonne, NJ

Music Teacher at Henry Harris Elementary School (1985-1986) and Bayonne High School (1985-1990). My duties included teaching General Music, Instrumental Music lessons, Concert Band, Jazz Band, Marching Band, Brass Ensemble, Chorus, Glee Club, and Musical Director. I also served on Curriculum Writing committees.

Education

Jersey City State College / MA in Music Performance and NJ Music Supervisors Certificate

September 1990 - May 1992, Jersey City, NJ

Jersey City State College / MA in Music Education

September 1986 - May 1988, Jersey City, NJ

Rutgers University / BA in Music Education and Performance

September 1980- May 1985, Newark, NJ

Drum Corps Experience – Member	St. Andrew's Kidets – 1975-1976 St. Andrew's/Bayonne Bridgemen – 1976-1981 The Bushwackers – 1982 – 1983
Drum Corps Experience – Instructor	Bayonne Kidets – 1980-1983 The Bushwackers – 1986, 1987, 1992-2003
Drum Corps Experience – Writer	Bayonne Kidets – 1980-1983 The Bushwackers – 1996-2003, 2005-2006, 2012-2013, 2016-2022 Hawthorne Caballeros – 2007-2009 The Cadets – 2009 (75 th Anniversary Repertoire) Carolina Gold – 2007-2010 Chops Inc. – 2023 Govenaires - 2007-2022 High Country Brass – 2012-2013 Highland Regiment – 2017-2019, 2021 Hurricanes – 2010-2013 Kilties – 2015 Prairie Sound – 2018 Saints Brigade – 2011, 2013 Sunrisers – 2008-2013 Westchester Brassmen – 2011, 2013, 2015, 2020
Drum Corps Experience – Adjudicator	DCI – 2014 – Present (2026)