

Mike W. Lane

Mr. Lane is a 2001 graduate of East Carolina University with a degree in Music Education. He is in his fifteenth year as a band director and tenth year at Frank W. Cox High School. Since arriving at Cox High School, the band has received superior ratings at competitions throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia in concert and marching, as well as having a jazz and percussion ensemble that performed at various public events and local concerts.



During the 2011 – 2012 school year the marching band participated in the United States Scholastic Band Association National Championships in Annapolis, Maryland where they finished undefeated at all local competitions in group 2 and they were also named the 2011 Virginia State Champions for USSBA in Group 2. They concluded the season by winning the USSBA Group 2 Open National Championship. The Cox High School Band Program won three consecutive USBands state championships in 2010, 2011, and 2012 and also received consecutive Virginia Honor Bands during Mr. Lane's tenure at Cox High School in 2008 and 2009 and again in 2011 and 2015.

Before coming to Cox, Mr. Lane spent one year at Kellam High School in Virginia Beach where they were also named a Virginia Honor Band. Prior to coming to Virginia Beach, Mr. Lane taught in the North Carolina Public School system for four years. He has performed with the DCI World finalist Carolina Crown Drum and Bugle Corps in 1995 and 1996 as well as the Independent World Class percussion ensemble Carolina Thunder, both from Charlotte, NC.

Mr. Lane is currently a member of the Tidewater Winds percussion section. His teachers have included Dr. Scott Carter, Mark Ford, Harold Jones, Christopher Deane, and Dr. Jonathan Wacker. He is a member of the Music Educators National Conference, Virginia Music Educators Association, Virginia Band and Orchestra Directors Association, Percussive Arts Society, and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia professional music fraternity. He lives in Virginia Beach with his wife Gina and their two children Connor and Ryan.