



Missouri Music Educators Association

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Welcome to the 2023 MMEA Mentoring Conference!

Our theme for the conference is *A Drop in the Bucket: Expanding Our Possibilities*. Throughout the history of our mentoring program, the Missouri Music Educators Association (MMEA) has sought to provide our new and recently new teachers the resources and mentorship that they want and need to be successful. This program has garnered national attention for its content and structure.

As we continue to build on our past successes, we are constantly seeking opportunities to grow and better serve our newer teachers. Once again, we have expanded our offerings this year to include content for large school directors and incorporated our Tri-M and NAFME-C workshops to coincide with the mentoring conference. We are also excited to welcome members from out of state who are new to Missouri. It is our focus to grow our own teachers and expand not only the way we think and operate in the classroom but also to expand our resources and our network. The content of this conference has been tailor made from the feedback we receive each year.

This year, more time is being given to ask questions and hone-in on the specific issues each teacher may be experiencing. I invite you to utilize this time to find the solutions to classroom issues and connect with someone who will not only help you at the conference but become a friend and resource. As we can all attest, we encounter new obstacles each year that we are not prepared to deal with. This is the purpose of this conference; to help us all be better teachers and for the student outcomes to be changed for the better. We are excited to welcome some of the master teachers in our state to offer advice, tips, tricks, and friendship. It is our intent that you leave this conference with confidence, clarity, and a support system that will stand alongside you for the entirety of your career. Thank you for making the time and taking the opportunity to make Missouri Music Education the drop in the bucket that will continue to expand the possibilities for us all. Welcome to the MMEA family!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Brian Hartman'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

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