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SPOTLIGHT:

Alyssa Overmann

is in her fourteenth year of teaching, and third year as Director of Bands for the School District of Clayton. At Clayton, she directs the Clayton High School Symphonic Band, Concert Band, and Jazz Ensemble. She also teaches an Electronic Music class and trumpet at Wydown Middle School.

Prior to arriving at Clayton, Alyssa was the Director of Bands at Alton High School in Alton, IL.



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Mrs. Overmann earned a Bachelor of Music Education degree from Missouri State University and a Master of Educational Administration degree from McKendree University.

In 2015-16 Mrs. Overmann was selected to be part of the Illinois Arts Learning Standards Initiative's music work group, working with educators throughout Illinois to revise the Illinois music standards and make them applicable to the music classroom today. She was also a staff member of the Illinois Ambassadors of Music, served on the IHSA Advisory Board, and is active as an adjudicator/clinician for middle and high school solo & ensemble and organizational contests.

Mrs. Overmann is an active member of MMEA and Missouri Bandmasters. She resides in Bethalto, IL with her husband Eric, 18-month-old son Callen, and two old pups, Tucker and George.



HIGHLIGHTS



Music Business Discussion Panel

January 17, 2023

Miles Vandiver spoke with small business owners Thomas Pullen of Mojo's Music and Mark Landon of Halpin Music for a Music Business Panel discussion. Both being CEO's of their respective companies, Pullen and Landon have a wealth of knowledge and provided realistic and powerful insights to the students at Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville. Both also being SIUe alumni, the current students were inspired by 2 of their very own and given a realistic outlook on their own futures.

"You can do well, and do good at the same time."

– Thomas Pullen

To read more about this event, [click here](#)





The 2nd Annual Percussion Ensemble Festival at SIU Edwardsville was another success! Seven percussion ensembles participated, with multiple people performing in the solo exhibition as well.

Congratulations to participating schools: Belleville East Township High School, Belleville West Township High School, Alton High School, Edwardsville High School, Granite City High School, Civic Memorial High School, and Mascoutah High School.

Clinicians Brian O'Donnell, Jakob Mueller, and Daniel Smithiger interacted with all students and faculty of ensembles. Special thanks to the co-sponsors: Missouri-Illinois Musical Arts Consortium, Halpin Music, Black Swamp Percussion, and SIU Edwardsville.

See you next year: 7 & 8 March 2024.

Daniel Smithiger - MIMAC President



CALENDAR

UPCOMING EVENTS



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Percussion Institute

DRUMLINE CLINICS AVAILABLE
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5 - 8 JUNE 8:30 AM - 4:50 PM



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The Missouri Illinois Musical Arts Consortium (known as "MIMAC") is organized and operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes in accordance with Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. More specifically, MIMAC is dedicated to providing a platform for emerging and established musicians, hosting education and performance modules for music events across the St. Louis Area (in a 25-mile radius from downtown St. Louis).

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