

Mark Schmedinghoff is currently in his twelfth full year as the instructor of Band Instrument Repair at Western Iowa Tech Community College in Sioux City, IA. Mark began repairing instruments in 2003 as a student at Renton Technical College under Daryl Hickman, having been introduced to the craft earlier by a former high school band director. Upon graduation, he joined the repair team at Palen Music Center in Springfield, Missouri, working in and later leading a high-volume repair shop in the company's flagship store. He moved to Sioux City and joined the faculty at WITCC in the fall of 2009, and continues to enjoy helping newcomers to the world of instrument repair begin their journey in this rewarding field.

Mark holds a Bachelor's of Music degree from the University of North Texas in Denton, Texas, and spent seven years as a middle school band director in Texas and New Mexico before beginning his repair career. He and his wife Heather are the proud parents of Timothy, age 10, and Gregory, age 7, and enjoy spending as much time as possible with their inquisitive and energetic boys.