

Rebecca Warren retired in 2020 after serving 40 years as a Band Director. She continues to serve the band community as a teacher, clinician, and performer. She most recently founded "*Rebecca Warren- Music Education Consultant*" which provides professional development sessions for music educators and leadership clinics for band students. Her last teaching position was in Mandan, North Dakota where she served as coordinator of the 6th grade band program and director of the Mandan High School Marching Braves. She is the 2021 NDMEA Distinguished Service Award recipient.

Mrs. Warren graduated from Austin High School and the University of North Alabama with her Bachelors and Masters Degrees. She was a high school band director in Alabama for 28 years. Her bands consistently receive Superior ratings in concert, jazz, and marching festivals. They performed and competed throughout the United States and London, England.

While in Alabama, Mrs. Warren was an active member of the music education profession serving as ABA Chairman for Districts 2 and 3, President-elect of the Alabama Bandmasters Association, and President of the Alabama Music Educators Association. While President of AMEA she founded *FAME- Future Alabama Music Educators* program to recruit and educate high school juniors and seniors interested in becoming music educators. Mrs. Warren has served as guest conductor throughout Alabama for various county and district honor bands as well as the University of North Alabama and the University of Alabama Honor Bands. She has served on the summer camp staffs at Troy University, Wallace College, and Auburn University. She has also conducted All-State Bands in Alabama and South Dakota.

In North Dakota, she served as the West Region Band Representative to the Board of the NDMEA. Memberships include the North Dakota Music Educators Association, the Alabama Music Educators Association, the Alabama Bandmasters Association, the National Band Association, and Alabama Phi Beta Mu as well as the North Dakota Phi Beta Mu where she served as President of the Alpha Gamma Chapter. During her tenure as President, the Chapter began awarding an annual scholarship to a high school senior in pursuit of a degree in instrumental music education. She also began the project to commission new works of band literature. Composers have included Rob Grice, Aaron Perrine, and Tyler Grant. The project is now on its fourth commissioned work.

Becky has served as clinician, adjudicator, professional development speaker, and guest conductor in Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee, Florida, North Dakota, Iowa, and South Dakota. Three of her clinics have been chosen to be presented at the Midwest International Band and Orchestra Clinic. She has been published in The Instrumentalist Magazine. She has also been awarded the Citation of Excellence by the National Band Association and was named Teacher of the Year by the Ft. Payne Chamber of Commerce.

Becky resides on the prairie of North Dakota with her husband John, also a band director, and their golden retriever, Bama.