

Jon Baumann, a native of Bismarck, ND, attended St. Mary's Central High School where he was a student of Bill Schmidt. Upon graduation he earned his undergraduate degree in Music Education at the University of Mary. In 2003, Mr. Baumann earned a Master's Degree from the American Band College at Southern Oregon University. He began his teaching career as the Band Director at Tri-Catholic Middle School. He then became the Director of Bands at Bismarck High School. He is currently in his tenth year as Director of Bands at Mandan High School. His responsibilities include directing concert bands, jazz band, and marching band. Mr. Baumann's students consistently are selected for the ND All State Band, Jazz Band, and Orchestra. His students earn top awards at regional solo and ensemble festivals and jazz festivals.

In 2001, Mr. Baumann was the recipient of the National Band Association's "Allegro Band Award" for outstanding progress in the development of bands in North Dakota. He has also been included in the "Who's Who in American Education". Mr. Baumann was twice selected by SBO Magazine as the North Dakota's representative of "Fifty Teachers Who Make a Difference" Award. In 2011 he was selected as the NDNBA Outstanding Jazz Educator of the Year. In March of 2016 Mr. Baumann was selected by the North Dakota Music Educators Association as Educator of the Year.

Professional playing experiences have included Principal Trombone for the Bismarck-Mandan Symphony, and the Bismarck-Mandan Wind Ensemble. He was twice featured as a guest soloist for the Wind Ensemble. Mr. Baumann also performs with the BlsMan Little Big Band. He has served as soloist, clinician, adjudicator, and guest conductor throughout the region. Mr. Baumann is a member of NAFME, the National Band Association, and Phi Beta Mu. He also serves as the Auditions and Finance Manager for the ND All-State Music Festival. Jon and his wife Sara, Director of Bands at Mandan Middle School, have two children, Nora and Jacob.