

Dr. Byron Ward is the current Instructor of Music at Mayville State University where he teaches all the music classes including directing the Concert Band and Concert Choir. Dr. Ward is a graduate of North Dakota State University where he earned a Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Trumpet Performance and a Master of Music degree in Music Theory Pedagogy. In addition, he holds a Master of Music degree from The University of Arizona and a Bachelor of Music degree from Weber State University (Ogden, UT), both in Trumpet Performance. Dr. Ward has a diverse performing background, having played in orchestras, concert bands, jazz bands, brass quintets, operas, and musicals everywhere he has lived. This past year Dr. Ward has given professional trumpet recitals at Mayville State University, North Dakota State University, and Minnesota State University, Moorhead. He has performed with the South Dakota Symphony, Fargo Moorhead Symphony Orchestra, Fargo Moorhead Opera and as an official bugler for the Fargo Horse Track. Dr. Ward has been a clinician and judge for region solo and ensemble competitions at various Jr. High and High Schools throughout northern Utah and northwest Minnesota. His major trumpet teachers include Dan Rich, Reed LeCheminant, Jason Carder, Ed Reid, and Dr. Jeremy Brekke. Dr. Ward and his wife Sidney reside in Fargo, ND with their two young boys.

