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***North Central District's  
Middle Level Honor Band  
Middle Level Honor Choir  
Concert***

**Junction City High School Auditorium  
Saturday, November 2, 2024  
2:30 PM**

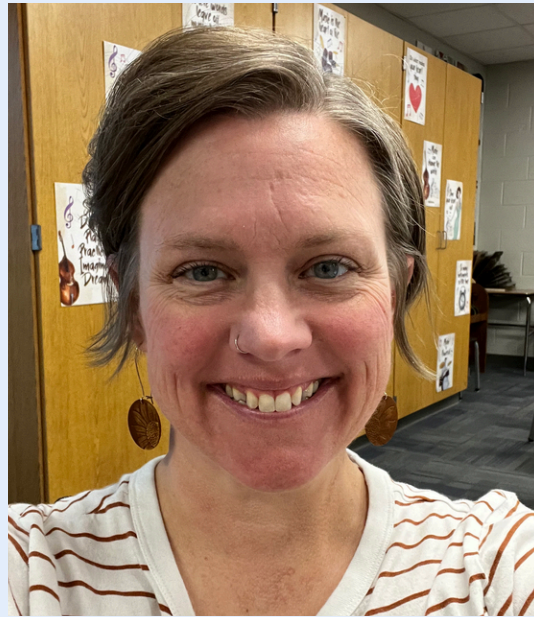
North Central District

2024-2025

## Outstanding Middle Level Educator

# Shana Lander

Susan B. Anthony Middle School, Manhattan



Shana Lander teaches choir, music exploration and theater at Anthony Middle School in Manhattan, Kansas. Shana received her Bachelor of Science in music education from Wayne State College, Wayne, NE and her Master's of Music in flute performance from Kansas State University. Mrs. Lander believes that music education is essential and can bring joy, deep meaning and a sense of purpose to people's lives. Shana is married to Nick, her husband of 16 years, and has two daughters, Ellis, 15 and Evyn, 12. She is honored to be selected as the 2024 North Central KMEA Middle Level Outstanding Music Educator.

North Central District  
**Middle School Honor Band**

Directed by Dr. Alex Wimmer, Chairperson Daniela Thrasher  
Music to be selected from:

***In Autumn's Moonlight***

David Samuel

***Silverbrook***

Michael Sweeney

***Marching Song***

Gustav Holst / John Moss

**Alex Wimmer – Middle Level Honor Band Clinician, Conductor**



Alex Wimmer is currently serving as the Associate Director of Bands at Kansas State University. His duties include directing the Wind Symphony, Cat Band (basketball pep band), Volleyball Band, Pub Crawl Band, Assistant Marching Band Director for the Pride of Wildcat Land (KSUMB), arranger and drill designer for the KSUMB, and instructor of undergraduate and graduate courses in conducting, arranging, and marching band techniques. During the summer he coordinates the K-State Summer Music Camp and K-State Leadership and Auxiliary Camp, and serves as one of the Assistant Directors of the Manhattan Municipal Band. Prior to his appointment at Kansas State University, Dr. Wimmer was a Graduate Teaching Assistant for the Kansas State University Bands. He assisted with all concert and athletic ensembles, undergraduate conducting courses, and Percussion Ensembles. His research interests include undergraduates conducting with expressivity and qualitative research.

# North Central District

## Middle Level Band 2024

### Flute

1. Elliana Kufahl, St. George-Rock Creek MS
2. Zea Wilson, Salina-Sacred Heart Jr/Sr HS
3. Reagan Kehoe, Chapman MS
4. Sohmee Kim, Riley Co. GS
5. Lillian Rounds, Bennington Jr/Sr HS
6. Madilynn Gilsdorf, Concordia Jr/Sr HS
7. Madi Van Petten-Reid, Wamego MS

### Oboe

1. Margie Clark, Wamego MS
2. Boedy Chavey, Concordia Jr/Sr HS

### B-flat Clarinet

1. Estevan Donez, Wamego MS
2. Sam Stare, Riley Co. GS
3. Marabelle Aldridge, Wamego MS
4. Peter Miller, Wamego MS
5. Lacy Vestal, Wamego MS
6. Logan Lakin, Wamego MS
7. Eva Wildin, Wamego MS

### Alto Saxophone

1. Tatiana Conley, Wamego MS
2. Heidi Berhow, Riley Co. GS
3. Kenadee Gourley, Bennington Jr/Sr HS
4. Olivia Vosburg, Chapman MS
5. Levi Sacchieri, Fort Riley MS
6. Finian Keenan, St. Marys JH

### Tenor Saxophone

- Megsie Keck, St. George-Rock Creek MS

### Baritone Saxophone

- Kaylee Brabender, Chapman MS

### Trumpet

1. Colton Willis, Fort Riley MS
2. Russ Stallings, Fort Riley MS
3. Autumn Clark, Chapman MS
4. Jacques Stare, Riley Co. GS
5. Katarina Howell, Concordia Jr/Sr HS
6. Kyndel Moeskau, Concordia Jr/Sr HS
7. Morgan Green, Clay Center Community MS
8. Gelan Villamor, Junction City MS
- Alt. - Gabriel Gresham, Junction City MS

### Horn

1. Nathan Haverlah, Manhattan-Susan B. Anthony MS
2. Rosie Slough, St. George-Rock Creek MS

### Trombone

1. James Gartner, Wamego MS
2. Mariah Woodyard, Wamego MS
3. Maverick Strait, Concordia Jr/Sr HS
4. Larkin St. Louis, St. Marys JH
5. Andrew Stewart, Clay Center Community MS

### Baritone

1. Robert Maxwell, Manhattan-Susan B. Anthony MS
2. Hailey Gabrielson, Wamego MS
3. Anthony Chaney, St. Marys JH
4. Jacob Enger, Chapman MS
5. Neelly Taddiken, Clay Center Community MS
- Alt. - William Dykes, Riley Co. GS

### Tuba

1. Zachary Roberts, Junction City MS
2. William Lukert, St. Marys JH
3. Kane Yonning, Wamego MS
4. Diehl Forsberg, Gypsum-Southeast of Saline
5. Callen Burr, Clay Center Community MS

### Timpani

- Aliyah Rabe, St. Marys JH
- Alt. - Zahvanna Wurtz, St. Marys JH

### Mallets

1. Jakob Sampson, Wamego MS
2. Zahvanna Wurtz, St. Marys JH

### Snare

1. Zayden McKenna, Wamego MS
2. Remington Estes, Wamego MS
- Alt. - Seth Lacy, Concordia Jr/Sr HS

North Central District

## **Middle School Honor Choir**

Directed by Dr. Mark Lucas, Chairperson Danette Whiteley

Honor Choir Pianist - Marlo Zumbrunn

Music to be selected from:

### ***Wade in the Water Partner Song***

Traditional

### ***Here Comes the Sun***

Mac Huff, arr.

### ***Bonse Aba***

Victor Johnson, arr.

### ***He Never Failed Me Yet***

Robert Ray, arr.

#### **Mark Lucas – Middle Level Honor Choir Clinician, Conductor**



Mark Lucas teaches vocal music at Junction City High School, in Junction City, Kansas, where his main focus is working with choirs and teaching beginning piano. Previously, he was an Associate Professor of Music and the Director of Choral Activities at Bethany College in Lindsborg, Kansas. At Bethany Mark was also the Artistic Director and Conductor for the Messiah Festival of the Arts, a 10-day festival of art, music, and theatre that has run annually since 1882.

# North Central District

## Middle Level Choir 2024

### Abilene MS

Kaomi Carrico, Alto  
Bethany Fahri, Alto  
Amethyst Hughes, Alto  
Elise Jermark, Soprano  
Aurora Kraft, Tenor  
Luna Martin-Dyehouse, Tenor  
Jessamay Martinez, Alto  
Bobbi Pekarek, Soprano  
Bailey Rimmel, Soprano  
Sabastian Ross, Bass  
Sophia Seehusen, Soprano

### Bennington JH

Charlotte Farmer, Alto  
Eric Fry, Bass  
Katy Gans, Soprano  
Tanija Grant, Alto  
Lindy Huiett, Alto  
Sarah Johnson, Alto  
Tydus Jones, Tenor  
Noah Koerperich, Tenor  
Lincoln Smith, Alto  
Paityn Swartz, Soprano  
Landon Wisbey, Bass  
Christopher Woodman, Tenor

### Chapman MS

Brandon Acosta, Tenor  
Gabriel Boyd, Tenor  
Dayton Curtis, Bass  
Matthew Curtis, Tenor  
Jacob Enger, Tenor  
Connor Franzeen, Bass  
Kelly Glasgow, Soprano  
Sammie Hall, Alto  
Alice Hamilton, Soprano  
Paxton Hartshorn, Bass  
Alice Hill, Alto  
Victoria Jackson, Soprano  
Reagan Kehoe, Alto  
Journey Kuntz, Soprano  
Kayden Loy, Tenor  
Connor Marston, Tenor  
James Mayes, Tenor  
Justin Murdock, Tenor  
Josie Stanley, Soprano  
April Strauss, Alto  
Karson Stroda, Alto  
Olivia Vosburg, Alto

### Clay Center Community MS

Shaylee Baker, Soprano  
Jeanese Luke, Soprano  
Imogen Stewart, Alto  
Reese Williams, Bass  
Kayla Woodworth, Alto

### Concordia

Makenzie Beam, Alto  
Kyndra Brandt, Soprano  
Nolan Christensen, Bass  
Sophia Fraley, Alto

### Emporia MS

Giada Bulinski, Alto  
Torah Ruxton, Alto

### Eskridge-Mission Valley Jr/Sr HS

Kayla Ebaben, Alto  
William Price, Tenor  
Braylyn Trout, Soprano  
Beau Urton, Tenor

### Fort Riley MS

Lydianna Byington, Alto

### Gypsum-Southeast of Saline

Paxtyn Birdsong, Soprano  
Daley Brown, Alto  
Melody Fellers, Soprano

### Brooklyn Lefort, Alto

Daniel Monday, Tenor  
Beckett Murray, Bass  
Espyn Reed, Soprano  
Colt Sawyers, Bass  
Jael Vaughan, Alto  
Taegen Weaver, Soprano  
Shelby Wisdom, Tenor

### Hartford Jr/Sr HS

Merideth Roberts, Soprano  
Cecilia Westhoff, Soprano  
Josh Westhoff, Alto

### Manhattan-Eisenhower MS

Maliya Barley, Alto  
Aubreelynn Foster, Alto  
Jamison Johnson, Bass  
Brennan Keenan, Bass  
Maiya Kierscht, Alto  
Ginny Koepe, Soprano  
Alycen Lovelace, Alto  
Harley Quinn Moore, Soprano  
Jace Parsons, Bass  
Addison Porter, Soprano  
Cannon Sloan, Tenor

### Manhattan-Susan B. Anthony MS

Joy Baker, Soprano  
Catherine Balman, Soprano  
Coralee Glymour, Alto  
Julia Johnson, Soprano  
Eva Kelly-Kuwata, Alto  
Juliet Parish, Alto

### Marysville Jr/Sr HS

Scarlett Johnson, Soprano  
Harper Martinez, Soprano  
Gracie Snellings, Alto

### Riley Co. GS

Heidi Berhow, Alto  
Brooklyn Bryant, Soprano  
Nolan Hallman, Tenor

### Benjamin Kamran-Kohnjani, Tenor

Allison King-Della, Alto  
Ryan McGuyer, Tenor  
Ashlyn Potter, Soprano  
Alaina Rose, Soprano

### Matthew Trevarton, Tenor

### Salina-Sacred Heart Jr/Sr HS

Ava Driscoll, Soprano  
Mya King, Alto  
Wyatt Schrant, Bass

### Solomon HS

Kierstyn Coup, Alto  
Gracie Mattison, Alto  
Hailey McLaughlin, Alto  
Michaela Mikulay, Soprano  
Jaylianah Riffle, Soprano  
Timothy Roeder, Tenor  
Addison St John, Alto

### St. George-Rock Creek MS

Kennan Breiner, Tenor  
Braden Gilmore, Tenor  
Elijah Meitler, Tenor  
Kristy Newell, Soprano

### St. Marys Jr/Sr HS

Samantha Cabler, Soprano  
Lucy DeVader, Soprano  
Molly Drippe, Soprano  
ElliAva Gonzalez, Soprano  
Abby McCann, Soprano  
Anastasia Reiser, Alto  
Ariana Schaefer, Alto  
Marisa Wagers, Alto

### Wamego MS

Samantha Ault, Alto  
Nolan Austin, Tenor  
Jackson Beatty, Soprano  
Memphis Boyce, Bass  
Avia Breymeyer, Soprano  
Malia Collins, Alto  
Kylie Couchman, Soprano  
Aiden Delay, Alto  
Emily Fry, Alto  
Michael Hermesch, Bass  
Presley Hollenbeck, Alto  
Taylor Lucas, Soprano

### Evelyn Manes, Alto

Layla Massieon, Alto  
Maggie McCune, Soprano

### Avery Musselman, Alto

Ella Nelson, Alto  
Jacoby Rhoads, Alto  
Logan Riggins, Alto

### Lucy Ross, Alto

### Tatum Velasco, Bass

Meredith Welch, Soprano  
Katelyn Willhite, Soprano

### Washington Co. Jr/Sr HS

Reid Scheer, Tenor

# North Central District Leadership 2024-2025

## Executive Board

<b>President</b> Chad Pape Manhattan HS	<b>President Elect</b> Daniela Thrasher Clay Center Co. HS	<b>Past President</b> Nancy Monical Manhattan HS	<b>Executive Director</b> Joel Gittle Manhattan HS
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## District Chairs

<b>High School Band</b> Guillermo Rodriguez Salina Central HS	<b>High School Orchestra</b> Cody Toll Manhattan HS	<b>High School Choir</b> Janie Brokenicky Rock Creek HS	<b>High School Jazz Band</b> Devin Burr Manhattan HS
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<b>Middle Level Band</b> Daniela Thrasher Clay Center Comm HS	<b>Middle Level Choir</b> Danette Whiteley Abilene HS	<b>Elementary Choir</b> Josh Yoho St Marys Grade School	<b>Webmaster</b> Troy Johnson
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**Mentorship**  
Colleen Rodriguez  
Fort Riley Elementary

**Advocacy**  
Samantha Boxberger  
Junction City High School

## NAFME: The National Association for Music Education

NafME is a collaborative community that supports music educators and advocates for equitable access to music education. NafME is an association where all people are heard, seen, and feel they belong throughout their lifelong experiences in music. NafME believes: (1) Music is unique to the human experience and is essential to our humanity. (2) Music communicates and connects people across all time and cultures. (3) Music unlocks human creative expression and is a lens to the experiences and interpretations of the world. and (4) Music is basic to human wholeness through our emotions, intellect, and physical and spiritual well-being.

## KMEA: Kansas Music Educators Association

Music is an integral, vibrant part of life. The lifelong process of learning, performing, creating, and appreciating music brings meaning and richness to our heritage and culture. The Kansas Music Educators Association is an organization of music educators committed to the concept that the study of music is a positive influence in the lives of individuals and society as a whole. The mission of the Kansas Music Educators Association is to support music educators by fostering leadership, providing professional development, and promoting the advocacy of music learning in schools and communities.

## Special Thanks To:

*All the North Central District Music Teachers for their continual support of their students!  
NC District Middle Level Chairs: Daniela Thrasher – Band, and Danette Whiteley – Choir  
Joel Gittle, Executive Director of the North Central District, NCKMEA Webmaster Troy Johnson, and  
the KMEA State Executive Board for all their help and guidance,  
Junction City High School and USD 475 Music Staff for hosting today's event,  
and thank YOU for supporting your favorite young musicians by being here today!*