



Mr. Joshua Chodoroff was appointed Director of Bands at Highland Park High School in 2014. His responsibilities include teaching all of the curricular concert bands and jazz ensembles, directing the extracurricular marching band, pep band, and pit orchestra, and overseeing all administrative aspects of the band program. Now in his fourteenth year of teaching, Mr. Chodoroff previously taught at Waubonsie Valley High School in Aurora, IL. Under his direction, the WVHS Wind Ensemble performed at the University of Illinois Superstate Band Festival each year it has applied and as a clinic band at the 2008 Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic. His chamber ensembles were accepted to the prestigious Allerton Chamber Music Symposium. During his tenure, the Waubonsie Valley Music Department was twice named a Grammy Gold Signature School by the Grammy Foundation. In 2014, Mr. Chodoroff was named a semifinalist for the Grammy Music Educator Award. He

has been recognized fifty times by his students and the Indian Prairie Educational Foundation as a District 204 "Most Influential Educator." He has also successfully led band tours to France, Italy, Hawaii, Philadelphia, Washington D.C., and Florida. Prior to his appointment as band director at Waubonsie Valley, Mr. Chodoroff taught music at Granger Middle School.

Josh Chodoroff is a graduate of Temple University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he graduated *summa cum laude* with a Bachelor of Music in Music Education. He also holds a Masters degree in Music from Northern Illinois University. Mr. Chodoroff was a trumpet student of David Bilger, Principal Trumpet of The Philadelphia Orchestra, and former Philadelphia Orchestra members Donald McComas and Seymour Rosenfeld. At Temple University he also studied piano with Dr. Charles Abramovic and conducting with Arthur D. Chodoroff. He has also participated in conducting symposia at Northwestern University and the University of North Texas. In addition to teaching, Mr. Chodoroff has served as the Assistant Conductor for the Northwest Indiana Symphony Orchestra and the New Philharmonic, and is also an active arranger. He lives in Deerfield with his wife, Jamie, and their sons, Ethan and Collin.