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Patrick Winters is the Director of Bands and Music Department Chair at Eastern Washington University where he conducts the Wind Ensemble, teaches conducting and courses in music education. Mr. Winters combines his broad experience as a university conductor and teacher with his experience as a successful high school director. His high school ensembles in Virginia and California achieved an impressive record of competitive and festival performances, as well as tours through the eastern and western United States, Canada, Mexico and Japan. Mr. Winters has established a band program at Eastern Washington University that is one of the finest and most active in the Northwest. Concert, marching and jazz groups regularly perform throughout the Northwest United States and Western Canada. His EWU Wind Ensemble's compact discs CELEBRATIONS and DANCES, SONGS & CELEBRATIONS have received wide acclaim. The group can also be heard on SOUNDSCAPES, PRISMS and MILLENIUM CD, the EWU Music Department's three compact discs.

In 1994, Mr. Winters received the PTI Outstanding Faculty Award for excellence in teaching. In 1998, he was awarded the Washington Music Educator's Association Outstanding Music Educator Award. In 2000, he was inducted into the W.M.E.A. Hall of Fame. Mr. Winters' article Building Ensemble Musicianship For Your Concert Band appears in "Spotlight On Teaching Band," published by M.E.N.C.

Mr. Winters holds a Bachelor of Music Education degree from Elon University and a Master of Music Education degree from California State University. Mr. Winters is in demand throughout the country as a guest conductor, clinician and adjudicator, having appeared in 16 states and 5 foreign countries. Patrick lives in Spokane, Washington with his wife Joyce and their three children Brittany, Danica, and Zach.