



## **TBA BAND BOOSTER TRAINING**

**FRIDAY, JULY 26**

**8am to 5:30pm**

**Room 217D – Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center  
San Antonio**

The TBA Band Booster Day will be on Friday, July 26 from 8am until 5:30pm in the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center in San Antonio. Registration fee is \$100 per school with no limit on the number of boosters attending from each school. Pre-registration is available until July 1 by printing the form found on the TBA website and mailing with your payment. All attendees should report to room 217D at 8am. Those who have pre-registered will be issued badges and those who need to register on-site will complete their registration in room 217D at that time.

The ***Strategic Boosters*** seminar will be presented by nationally recognized music educator David Vandewalker and will include information helpful to all band boosters. Dr. Vandewalker will also include an informal question/answer session during the day. A lunch break will be provided—there are many restaurants close to the convention center.

In addition to the topics covered, there will be time built into your schedule to attend the TBA Exhibit Hall. Vendors from across the country display the latest products available for use with band programs. This includes music, instruments, tour companies, and the latest in fund raising opportunities. Gain new and exciting ideas for your band program by visiting over 600 booths in the TBA Exhibit Hall!

All band boosters are committed to supporting their students and directors. However, until now there has been little opportunity for professional training for the important job of Band Booster. TBA is filling this void! Take advantage of this opportunity and prepare to be the best band booster possible. Leave the seminar motivated and ready for a great school year!

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# Texas Bandmasters Association Booster Seminar Schedule

Theme: Strategic Boosters: How to THRIVE, not just survive!

Dr. David W. Vandewalker, presenter

8:00 a.m.	Session 1: Strategic Boosters: The Plan
9:30 a.m.	Session 2: Strategic Compliance: How to Stay Out of Trouble with the Law
10:00 a.m.	Break and Registration – Packets may be picked up here.
10:15 a.m.	Session 3: Strategic Volunteers: Building Strong Relationships
11:30 a.m.	Lunch on your own
1:00 p.m.	Informal Q & A with Dr. Vandewalker
1:30 p.m.	Session 4: Strategic Organization: Business Roles and Fundraising
2:30 p.m.	Session 5: Strategic Communications
3:30 p.m.	Session 6: Exhibit Hall Twitter Scavenger Hunt
5:30 p.m.	Dinner and Departure On Your Own

Seminar Workbooks be available for \$10 each.

Participants are encouraged to download free mobile apps for *Twitter*® and *Padlet*® for use in some of the sessions.

## DAVID VANDEWALKER

**David W. Vandewalker** is the Coordinator of Music and Performing Arts for the Fulton County Schools (Atlanta, GA), the founding artistic director and conductor of the professional ensemble, Cobb Chamber Winds, and the administrator, artistic director, and principal conductor of the Metropolitan Atlanta Youth Wind Ensemble. Dr. Vandewalker earned degrees at Baylor University, Central Michigan University, and Boston University where he received the Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Music Education.

With twenty-seven years of teaching experiences spanning elementary, middle school, high school, and higher education, Dr. Vandewalker most recently served as the associate director of athletic bands/ assistant director of bands at Georgia State University (2012-2016) and Director of Bands at Harrison High School in Kennesaw, Georgia (2000-2012). A Conn-Selmer Artist/Educator, he has led concerts before esteemed audiences such as the CBDNA/NBA Southern Division Conference, Music for All National Concert Festival, and the Midwest International Band and Orchestra Clinic. Marching Bands under his direction received honors including participation in the 57th Presidential Inaugural Parade, 2009 & 2014 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, ranked top-ten nationally by the 2013 College Band Directors National Association (CBDNA), and Bands of America Grand National Finalist (Top 12).

Dr. Vandewalker is a recipient of the Sudler Flag of Honor, nine-NBA Citation of Excellence Awards, three National Wind Band Honors Awards, is recognized in multiple editions of Who's Who Among American Teachers, and is an elected member of the American Bandmasters Association.

He has published numerous articles in professional journals, chapters in multiple volumes of the *Teaching Music Through Performance in Band* book series (GIA) and *Rehearsing the High School Band* (Hal Leonard), books including *Boosters to the Rescue*, and *Strategic Plans for a Successful Booster Club* (GIA). Additionally, Vandewalker is a nationally-renown staff development presenter with multiple clinician appearances for GMEA, Music for All Summer Symposium, Smith Walbridge Directors Institute, Texas Bandmasters Association, and the Midwest Clinic. David and his wife, Pamela, reside in Marietta where she is Minister of Creativity and Worship Programming at Johnson Ferry Baptist Church serving over 900 children who are actively involved in music making each week.