



TEXAS BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION

Over 70 Years of Service!

Dear Administrator,

The annual Texas Bandmasters Association (TBA) Convention held in San Antonio each July offers numerous benefits for our members including Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credit. World-class clinics, concerts, and exhibits are strategically coordinated to provide a cohesive, educational, and enriching experience.

Over 65 clinics at the TBA convention are presented by state, national, and international experts in the field of instrumental music education. A band director can attend clinics specifically dedicated to beginning band pedagogy, middle school teaching, high school marching, concert, and jazz band, and mariachi instruction. Also included are topics on program administration, technology implementation, vertical alignment and teaming, legal concerns of the educator, and so much more!

TBA conventions feature concerts presented by military bands, professional musicians, collegiate performers, community bands, and high school bands. Concert attendees will be inspired by high levels of music making and will be motivated to reach for even higher standards of performance with their ensembles at home.

Networking with industry representatives is a necessity that can't be ignored in the field of music education. Finding time to visit face to face with music publishers, instrument manufacturers, uniform manufacturers, student travel companies, fundraising companies, and apparel companies will help to foster relationships that are invaluable when it comes to band program administration and logistics.

A particularly useful service offered at each convention is the TBA Academy. The day-long academy is geared toward first year teachers, teachers with limited experience, and teachers that are new to Texas. The curriculum includes classroom management/discipline, student motivation, communicating with administration and parents, an overview of TMEA, UIL, and TEA, social media do's and don'ts, director's legal rights and responsibilities, management of school finances, personal finances, and professionalism.

TBA exists to assist our membership in achieving the highest standards of instrumental music education. It is our sincere hope that your school district will see the value in providing financial support to send your band directors to our convention this summer. Please feel free to reach out to any of the members of the TBA Board of Directors or office staff with any questions.

Sincerely,

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