

FACULTY PROFILE

Mr. Todd L. Riddleberger (General Music)

Todd L. Riddleberger, a native of Dover, Delaware, is a “magna cum laude” graduate of the West Chester University School of Music (West Chester, Pennsylvania) where he received the Bachelor of Science in Music Education degree in 1998 and a “summa cum laude” graduate of the American Band College of Southern Oregon University (Ashland, Oregon) where he received the Master of Music in Conducting degree in 2006. During his undergraduate studies at West Chester, Mr. Riddleberger studied saxophone with Arthur Hegvik and performed regularly as a soloist and ensemble performer. He served as principal alto saxophonist of the West Chester University Wind Ensemble, played baritone saxophone in the Criteria Jazz Ensemble, led the University Saxophone Quartet as soprano saxophonist during his senior year, and served as drum major of the nationally-renowned “Golden Rams” Marching Band in the fall of 1996.

While pursuing his master’s degree, Mr. Riddleberger studied conducting with Cynthia Hutton and had the opportunity to perform as a saxophonist and clarinetist under the baton of such internationally recognized composers and conductors as Robert W. Smith, James Barnes, Colonel John Bourgeois, Jan Van der Roost, Pierre Kuijpers, and Johan de Meij. In June of 2006, he performed as baritone saxophonist within the American premier of Johan de Meij’s band arrangement of music from the film “Henry V” with the composer conducting.

Mr. Riddleberger served as Director of Bands at Parkside High School in Salisbury, Maryland from 1998-2007 where he directed the marching, symphonic, intermediate, and jazz bands. For the first four years of his tenure, he also served as a beginning band instructor at Glen Avenue and East Salisbury Elementary Schools. In 2002, he became the music theory and private instrumental lesson instructor within Wicomico County’s Visual and Performing Arts Program (V.P.A.), teaching two levels of theory within the V.P.A. program and a separate music theory class that was implemented at Parkside High School in 2003. Both programs have yielded several students who have received passing scores on the Advanced Placement Music Theory Exam and many who are currently pursuing careers in the fields of music education, theory, and the recording industry.

As of the fall of 2007, Mr. Riddleberger accepted the position of General Music instructor at Parkside and James M. Bennett High Schools in Salisbury, Maryland.