

Mighty Trojan Marching Band Instructors

2011

Mr. Aaron Robinson – Brass/Woodwind Instructor

Mr. Robinson is a Senior Music Education major at UNC-Chapel Hill. He was born in Raleigh, and went to Wakefield High School where he marched and played in the Wind Ensemble for four years. Upon entering Carolina, he was fortunate to receive the Kenan Music Scholarship, which pays for **all** of his musical studies. Mr. Robinson loves playing the tuba, and earlier this summer, he attended the Eastern Music Festival, where he got to play great orchestral music with people from all over the country. Mr. Robinson is excited to begin working with the Mighty Trojan Band, and hopes we can have an awesome season!

Ms. Michelle Leonard – Color Guard Instructor

Ms. Leonard is from Raleigh, NC and graduated from NC State University. During the day she is an Automation Developer for a software company in Raleigh and also enjoys baking cakes for special occasions and weddings. Michelle has been teaching color guard for over ten years and is looking forward to another great marching band season at GMHS!

Mr. Spencer Braswell – Visual/Techniques Instructor

Mr. Braswell graduated from UNC-Chapel Hill this past spring with a degree in Business. A product of High School Marching Band, Mr. Braswell studied Trumpet and marched with the UNC Marching Tar Heels serving in various leadership positions throughout his time with the group. Mr. Braswell also served as President of the Alpha Rho Chapter of Phi-Mu-Alpha Sinfonia (Men's Music Fraternity). Mr. Braswell is quite busy this time of year instructing for several Marching Bands around the state particularly in Johnston County and is thrilled to be expanding his horizons to serving Wake County.

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Mr. Ethan Carter – Percussion Instructor

Mr. Carter is from Fuquay-Varina, NC. He graduated from Fuquay-Varina High School in 2008 and is a senior at Western Carolina University where he studies Forensic Science with a concentration in Chemistry. He was a front ensemble member his freshman year at FVHS before playing bass drum and tenor drums. He has played in the WCU Pride of the Mountains Marching Band for the past three years playing Bass drum and Snare drum. Music is his passion, and he loves being around anything that relates - especially marching band. Outside of music, Mr. Carter enjoys being in the company of his friends and family and doing adventurous and athletic activities outdoors. He played hockey for five years before becoming a band member, and then the demands of being a full-time college student completely took over his life. He hopes to return someday to playing, what he calls, "the best sport known to man!" Having an optimistic attitude is important to Mr. Carter and overall, he's "just a laid back guy looking forward to what the future holds, which hopefully includes a pair of drumsticks!!"