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Dr. Philip A. Obado

Dr. Philip A. Obado is currently the Director of Bands at Allen I.S.D. in Allen, Texas. Dr. Obado's responsibilities include serving as director of bands at Allen High School where he oversees the Allen Eagle Escadrille, conducts the AHS Wind Ensemble, and is a support teacher in the Jazz Studies Program and at the Lowery Freshman Campus. The Allen High School Band consists of an 800+ member marching band (the Allen Eagle Escadrille) that splits into 11 concert bands, two jazz bands, three winter guards, two full drumline/front ensemble units, and two Drill team units (the Tallenettes and Silver Stars) under the co-direction of eight band directors and two dance directors. In addition to Dr. Obado's teaching duties, he helps maintain a comprehensive and vertically aligned band curriculum (grades 6-12) with the help of the directors at Allen High School, Lowery Freshman Campus, Curtis Middle School, Ereckson Middle School, and Ford Middle School.

Dr. Obado was previously Assistant Director of Bands at the Baylor University School of Music. His responsibilities included serving as Associate Director of the Golden Wave Band, director of the Courtside Players, director of the Concert Band, and teaching courses in conducting. Prior to this appointment at Baylor, Dr. Obado was Associate Director of Bands at Illinois State University where he was the director of the Big Red Marching Machine, conducted the Symphonic Winds and Symphonic Band, and taught courses in conducting and marching band techniques. He has also enjoyed twelve years teaching in the Florida public schools most notably as the Director of Bands at East River High School (Orlando), University High School (Orlando), and South Fork High School (Stuart).

Originally from Florida, Dr. Obado received the Doctor of Musical Arts degree in wind conducting from Michigan State University, a Master of Music Education degree from Florida State University, and a Bachelor of Music in Education and Performance from Ithaca College. His primary conducting teachers include Kevin Sedatole, John T. Madden, Stephen Peterson, and James Croft. Dr. Obado's professional affiliations include the College Band Directors National Association, National Band Association, American School Band Directors Association, Texas Music Educators Association, Texas Bandmasters Association, and is an honorary member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia and Tau Beta Sigma.