

Jo Ann Hood
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Jo Ann Hood is a native of Columbia, Tennessee and a graduate of Middle Tennessee State University where she received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Instrumental Music. She received her Masters of Arts in Education from Cumberland University in 1996. Beginning her teaching career in 1972, she has served as Band Director at Giles County High School, Wright Junior High School, Bellevue Junior and Senior High Schools and Hillwood High School. She is presently in her twenty fourth year as Director of the John Overton High School Band.

Miss Hood is Past President of the the Tennessee Music Educators Association, the Middle Tennessee School Band and Orchestra Association, and the Tennessee Bandmasters Association. She served as State Chair for the National Band Association for three years, as High School Representative for two years, and as Southern Division Chairperson on the NBA Board of Control for two years.

She holds membership in the Tennessee Music Educators Association, Music Educators National Conference, Tennessee Bandmasters Association, National Band Association, Tennessee Education Association, National Education Association, and Metropolitan Nashville Education Association. She is a member of Delta Omicron, Kappa Delta Pi, and serves as Executive Secretary-Treasurer of Phi Beta Mu National School Bandmasters Fraternity.

In 1981, 1984, and 1986, Miss Hood served as Chairperson of the Tennessee All-State Band and as All-State General Chairperson in 1989. She has served on the Executive Boards of TMEA and MTSBOA. She is currently on the Marching Band Advisory Board for Bands of America and serves on The Jury for the John Phillip Sousa Foundation Sudler Shield. In 1985,1991,1997, 2000 and 2001 Miss Hood was a recipient of the National Band Association's Certificate of Merit for Marching Excellence and in 1986, she was inducted into the Middle Tennessee State University Band of Blue Club Hall of Fame.

She was selected as an outstanding Young Woman of America in 1987 and was a recipient of the National Band Association's Citation of Excellence in 1988, 1990, and 1996. She was awarded the Scroll of Excellence for Outstanding Contribution to Bands and Band Music by the Women Band Directors National Association in 1991, received the Sudler Order of Merit of the John Phillip Sousa Foundation in 1988 and 1992. She has served on The Jury that awards the John Phillip Sousa Foundation [Sudler Shield](#), and has been selected to Who's Who Among American Teachers on two occasions. She serves extensively as an adjudicator and clinician of Marching and Concert Bands.