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Anne Marie Patterson has been an active violinist, educator and clinician in the Washington, D.C. area for over twenty years. She is currently the Orchestra Director at Robert Frost Middle School in Fairfax, VA. Previously, she taught elementary, middle and high school orchestra in Charles County, MD, where she was awarded the 2018 Outstanding Music Teacher Award from the Maryland Music Educators Association. From 2012 to 2019, Anne Marie directed the Charles County Youth Orchestra and Encore Strings, where she tripled the size of the organization. Anne Marie holds a Bachelor's Degree in Music Performance from Washington and Lee University, and Masters Degrees in Performance and Music Education from Florida State University. She has served as President of the MD/DC Chapter of the American String Teachers Association, and is a frequent presenter at the national ASTA conference. Anne Marie is the author of "Basic String Technique," recently published by Kendor in 2020. She is also a contributing author of "Rehearsing the Middle School Orchestra," by Sandy Goldie.

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Charles Laux



Dr. Charles Laux is the Director of Orchestras at Alpharetta High School where his duties include directing five levels of orchestra, including the nationally recognized AHS Symphony Orchestra. He also serves as Essential Elements clinician, consultant, and contributor for the Hal Leonard Corporation. Dr. Laux holds degrees in music education from Ohio University, the University of Nevada – Las Vegas, and a Ph.D. from The Ohio State University.

A string educator for over 25 years, Dr. Laux has worked with diverse student populations from elementary school through the collegiate level. He served as Assistant Professor of String Music Education at Kennesaw State University and directed award-winning school orchestra programs in Nevada, Florida, and Ohio. Dr. Laux is endorsed as an artist-educator by D'Addario Orchestral and Eastman Stringed Instruments and has presented over 150 educational sessions for conferences and school district in-services. He enjoys giving back to the string teaching community through posting resources on his website, podcast, and YouTube channel. Dr. Laux remains in frequent demand across the nation as an orchestra clinician, conductor, and adjudicator.

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