

ANDREW J. NOVAK

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WORK EXPERIENCE

- Bay Village City School District (2020-present)
 - Director of Choirs for Bay Middle School (grades 5-8). Planned and implemented a variety of lessons derived from state standards for in-person, virtual, and hybrid instruction. Planned and coordinated a variety of off-campus learning experiences. 7th and 8th grade ensembles consistently earned “Superior” ratings at adjudicated events. Music directed and accompanied the high school spring musical.
- Vermilion Local School District (2018-2020)
 - Taught 5th through 12th grade choir. Planned and implemented a variety of lessons, concerts, and off-campus opportunities for seven different choirs. Accompanied students in rehearsals and other school events. Assistant directed the spring musical.
- Twinsburg City School District (2016-2018)
 - Taught 4th through 6th grade choir and general music. Assisted the high school show choir program.

EDUCATION

- Master of Arts in Music Education – Case Western Reserve University
 - Currently in the process of completing degree (Expected graduation date May 2026)
- Bachelor of Music in Music Education – Capital University (Class of 2016)
 - Cumulative average: 3.790
 - Study Abroad (Fall 2014) – Kodály Institute, Liszt Ferenc Academy of Music (Hungary)

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

- Choral
 - Trinity Cathedral Episcopal Church (2023-2025, dir. Todd Wilson and Shiloh Roby)
 - Cleveland Chamber Choir (2017-present)
 - Cathedral Choir of St. John the Evangelist (2016-2023, dir. Greg Heislman)
- Music Director/Accompanist
 - Bay High School: *Chicago* (2021), *Bye Bye Birdie* (2022), *Newsies* (2023), *Something Rotten!* (2024), *The Music Man* (2025)
 - Shaker Heights High School: *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* (2024), *Chicago* (2025)
 - FBC of Greater Cleveland: *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* (2018), *Into the Woods* (2022)
 - Chagrin Valley Little Theatre: *The Addams Family* (2016), *Sister Act* (2018), *Kinky Boots* (2023)
 - Summer Organist at Vermilion United Church of Christ (2023-present)
 - The Singing Angels: Assistant Director/Lead Accompanist (2021-2022)
 - *Annie Jr.* with Penguin Project for special needs students at St. Joan of Arc Catholic School (2018)
- Adjudication
 - OMEA Solo and Ensemble Contest Adjudicator - High School and Junior High Vocal and Piano (January 2024-Present)

SPECIAL SKILLS

- Piano/Organ (accompaniment, sight-reading, improvisation), composing/arranging, conducting, score study, diction (English, Spanish, Latin, Italian, German), vocal pedagogy, Spanish language proficiency, public speaking, Microsoft® Word/Excel/PowerPoint, Finale® notation/composition software, PowerSchool grading software, Google Classroom

HONORS and MEMBERSHIPS

- Bay Middle School 7th and 8th Grade Choir and Chamber Choir have earned “Superior” ratings at OMEA Large Group and Solo and Ensemble events in 2024 and 2025.
- Bay Middle School 7th and 8th Grade Choir earned “Superior” rating at Trills and Thrills performance festival in spring of 2022 and 2024.
- Vermilion High School Chorale earned “Superior” Rating at district and state level contests in 2019.
- Member of OMEA/NAfME, ACDA, and Pi Lambda Theta Education Society
- Member of MAD* Factory Board of Trustees (2021-present)