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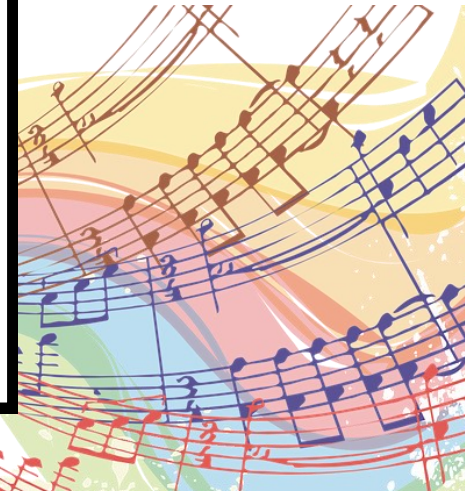
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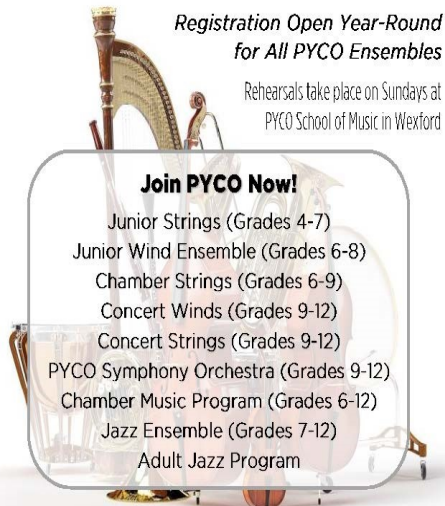
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## Dr. R. Tad Greig - Conductor



Dr. R. Tad Greig is the Director of Instrumental Activities and Professor of Music at Westminster College. As the Director of Instrumental Activities, Dr. Greig is the founder and conductor of its Wind and Jazz Ensembles. He also directs the Symphonic and "Titan" Marching Bands. In music Education, Dr. Greig co-supervises student teachers, teaches Secondary Instrumental Methods, Instrumental Conducting, Advanced Conducting and Band Literature. Dr. Greig is also the faculty advisor to the Westminster College Pennsylvania Collegiate Music Educators Association and the past Collegiate Representative for Curriculum and Instruction for District Five PMEA. He is responsible for maintaining and evaluating all music for the PMEA Assessment Performance list and is an advocate for Musical Performance Assessment in PA.

Dr. Greig is an active Guest Conductor, Clinician and Adjudicator throughout the Eastern United States, most recently having been the guest conductor for the Pennsylvania Music Educators All- State Wind Ensemble in 2012. His ensembles at Westminster have earned guest appearances at the PMEA State Conference on numerous occasions.

He has studied conducting with Dr. Leslie Hicken (Furman University) and Dr. Wayne Gorder (Kent State University) as well as participating in the renowned University of Colorado Conducting Symposium with Allan McMurray and Craig Kirchoff.

As a trombonist, Dr. Greig currently performs with the Youngstown Fine Arts Brass (Quintet) as well as being a free-lance musician throughout the Youngstown and Pittsburgh areas.

Prior to his hiring at Westminster, Dr. Greig was a music educator in the public schools in Greene County, Warren County and Mercer (Pennsylvania) and Struthers (Ohio) for twelve years. He was also hired to re-establish the band program at Thiel College and has taught Brass Methods at Grove City College.

Dr. Greig received his Undergraduate Degree in Music Education from Grove City College, Masters Degree in Music Education from Youngstown State University and his Ph.D. in Music Education from Kent State University. Dr. Greig is the past president of the Pennsylvania Collegiate Bandmasters Association and a member of the Collegiate Band Directors National Association, National Band Association, Phi Beta Mu (past President), International Trombonists Association, National Brass Society, Music Educators National Conference and the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association. He was also nominated and accepted into the "Who's Who in American Education", Who's Who Distinguished Professionals, Montclair Who's Who in Collegiate Faculty and was awarded the "Citation of Excellence" award in Music Education presented by the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association, and the Keystone Salute award given by the Pennsylvania Federation of Music Clubs. Dr. Greig was a nominee for the national Arlin G. Meyer Prize through the Lily Fellows Program in 2010 for his "creative work at an academic institution that emerges from the practices of a Christian vocation".

In 2013, Dr. Greig was nominated for the United States Professor of the Year award given by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.

## Sean Desguin - Assistant Conductor

Mr. Desguin joined the NPSB in 2003, and has served as Associate Conductor since 2006. He is a graduate of Duquesne University with a Bachelor of Science in Music Education, and earned his Master of Music Education from VanderCook College of Music. Since 2007, Mr. Desguin has been the Elementary Band Director in the



Hampton Township School District, where he also directs the High School Percussion Ensemble and is Assistant Director with the Marching Band and Middle School Bands. Prior to his current position, Mr. Desguin taught Middle and High School Band for five years in the Quaker Valley School District.

Mr. Desguin is a native of upstate New York and has lived in Pittsburgh for over 20 years, currently residing in Aspinwall.

## Former Conductors

Carl Iezzi - 2002-2015  
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