



## News release

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### **Everett Public Schools band director inducted into Music Hall of Fame**

*Heatherwood Middle School Band Director, Lesley Moffat, joins parents in Hall of Fame*



[Everett, WA] Lesley Moffat, Heatherwood Middle School band director, has been selected for induction into the [Washington Music Education Association \(WMEA\) Hall of Fame](#). With an impressive 36-year career in music education, Moffat follows in the footsteps of her parents, Bruce and Jo Caldwell, who are also esteemed members of the WMEA Hall of Fame.

“Congratulations on this remarkable achievement!” shared WMEA Past President, Karen Helseth. “The WMEA award committee and board appreciate your long history of excellence and service to music education in Washington State, and we are thrilled to recognize your work in perpetuity by naming you to the 2024 roster of inductees to the Hall of Fame.”

Currently in her second year as director of bands at Heatherwood Middle School, Moffat states, “I have the distinct honor of spending each day with the most

terrific, talented and fascinating teenagers anywhere. I love working with the students who are part of the music department at Heatherwood Middle School. I am very proud of them!”

Beginning her career in 1990 in Indiana before moving to Mill Creek in 1992 and becoming the director of bands and orchestra at Lynnwood High School, Moffat later became the director of bands at H.M. Jackson High School in 2002. Over the next two decades, she shared her passion for music, inspiring numerous students to continue their musical journeys into adulthood.

“Ms. Moffat was even able to bring a rich musical experience during the pandemic, where she and her students co-constructed an original musical that was an homage to the Broadway musical Hamilton,” added H.M. Jackson High School Principal, Lance Balla. “Her creativity and passion have shown through in her work throughout her career.”

Moffat and the other 2024 inductees will be formally recognized at the Hall of Fame Reception that will take place on Friday, February 16, 2024, in Yakima, WA.

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