

Oliver Hobbs Award

The intent of this award is to recognize FBA members who have consistently done an exceptional job year after year in the position of band director.

Criteria

- FBA Member for at least 15 years and a current band director in the state of Florida
- Attends FBA District and State meetings (July and January) on a regular basis
- Superior (at least 75% of the time) ratings at the District Concert and Marching (if High School) MPA'S
- Participation and with outstanding results at the District SE MPA
- Service to the profession. (District Officer, served on FBA/ FMEA/FSMA committees, etc, and/or helps with the MPA's and other FBA events.

Selection Procedure

- Each District may nominate one person (secret ballot, 75% positive vote of those present at the August or October district meeting)
- An application is completed by the nominee (due to the FBA Awards Committee Chair by Nov 1)
- Three letters of recommendation (School Principal, Recent Marching or Concert Band MPA Adjudicator of the nominee's band program, and one other FBA member due to the Award Committee Chair by Nov 1)
- A committee will select the award recipients based on the application and other outside knowledge
- 0 - 4 recipients selected per year

Tom Bishop Award

The intent of this award is to recognize a FBA member who has gone into a band program and turned the program around, making a huge positive difference in a relatively short period of time in the position of band director.

Criteria

- FBA Member and currently a band director in the state of Florida
- The nominee is teaching at the same school the year they are nominated.
- Attends FBA District and State meetings (July and January) on a regular basis
- Dramatic improvement in Concert and Marching MPA ratings from previous year(s)
- Participation and good results at the District SE MPA
- Band program has grown in numbers

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- No limit on the number of recipients