

Personal Biography
Roy D. "Skip" Vandelicht, Jr.

Skip Vandelicht is an Associate Professor of Music and the Director of Bands at Central Methodist University in Fayette, MO. Mr. Vandelicht retired from the Fayette R-III School District following the 2007-2008 school year having taught there for 31 years. Besides his tenure at Fayette, Mr. Vandelicht also served as Adjunct Marching Band Director at CMU from 1983-1995 and as Adjunct Co-Director of Bands at CMU in 2007-2008. Along with his duties as Director of Bands, which includes directing the Marching Band, Concert Band and University Band, Skip teaches classes in conducting, woodwind techniques and music education, as well as supervising student teachers. Mr. Vandelicht also coordinates the annual Woodwind Invitational and Brass Invitational Workshops at CMU, is Coordinator of the CMU Band Day marching festival, and serves as Camp Director of the CMU Summer Music Camp.

A native of Fulton, Missouri, Skip received his Bachelor of Music Education degree from Central Methodist College in 1977, and a Master of Education degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia in 1984. From 1992-1994 he served as Chairman of the Missouri All-State Band for the Missouri Bandmasters Association and from 1994-1996 he was President of the Missouri Bandmasters Association. From 2008-2009 he served as Band Vice-President for MMEA and from 2014 – 2016 he served as College/University Vice-President. Skip is an instrumental music adjudicator trainer for MSHSAA as well as a member of the MSHSAA Prescribed Graded Music List Committee and Sight Reading Committee.

Mr. Vandelicht received the Music Teacher of the Year Award from the Missouri Federation of Women's Clubs in 1982, the Outstanding Young Alumni Award from Central Methodist in 1990, the Orpheus Award from the Beta Mu Chapter of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia in 1991, the prestigious Bandworld Legion of Honor Award in 2004, and the National Federation of High School Activities "Music Educator of the Year Award for Missouri 2008". In 2013 he was inducted into the Missouri Bandmasters Association Hall of Fame, and in 2020 he was inducted into the Missouri Music Educators Association Hall of Fame. His memberships include the National Association for Music Education, the Missouri Music Educators Association, Missouri Bandmasters Association, Phi Beta Mu, the National Band Association, the College Band Directors National Association, the Central States Judges Association, and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia. Skip is an active clinician, performer, and adjudicator in Missouri and surrounding states. Mr. Vandelicht stays active outside the music community through the Fayette Optimist Club and serving on the Fayette R-III School District Board of Education where he is currently serving as President.

Skip's wife Melody is a retired first grade teacher in the Fayette R-III School District and he has two children and five grand children.