

Jan Eddington-

Education:

Bachelors Degree in Music Education, Brigham Young University  
Masters Degree in Education, Southern Oregon University

Experience:

Private Music Studio, 50 years  
Middle and High School Band Director, 25 years, Pocatello, Blackfoot, St. Anthony.

Philosophy:

I believe all children want to learn. Students gain a quiet confidence in themselves and in their abilities when they find they are able to consistently succeed in learning and doing. It is our challenge to offer positive and varied learning opportunities that will build toward this success.

Personal:

I was raised in Olympia, Washington, where I began teaching music when I was twelve. I have continued to study and explore how students learn and especially, how to break skills into small steps which students can master and then build upon. While primarily teaching music, I have taught several children to read, including some with hearing and learning disabilities.

Doug and I began our family in the Salt Lake area. In 1981, we moved to a home near the Reservation to the South of Blackfoot. We raised our six children here. Two still live in the area; one has six adopted Shoshone/Bannock children.

I perform with the Idaho State Civic Symphony and with the Idaho Falls Symphony and Quintet. Doug and I enjoy raising a large organic garden, backpacking, and kayaking, always with grandchildren to keep us company.

It has been a great joy to observe my previous students' successes as they have graduated from my classes. I am especially pleased for the three Shoshone/Bannock students who are currently studying at ISU on Music Scholarships. It is my hope to assist in giving the students of Lillian Vallely a safe, enjoyable, and solid start in their education.