



# PRAIRIE BRASS

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**Prairie Brass** was formed in the fall of 2020 by current and retired band directors as a way to fill a void in the central Kansas area for a performing group and allow the members to keep their playing proficiency intact during the current absence of live music. They are available for weddings, community, and educational performances.

**Marc Webster, trumpet**, received his BME from the University of Kansas. He is recently retired after 34 years of teaching which includes Kinsley, Coffeyville, Stanton County, Ellsworth, Great Bend and Larned. He has performed with The Great Bend City Band, Ye Olde Big Band, Prairie Brass, J. Bennett Big Band, Little Big Band, Prairie Winds Concert Band, Prairie Winds Jazz Band, Prairie Winds Brass Quintet, is the feature trumpet player for Les Lankhorst.

**Craig Allison, trumpet**, received his BME from Ft. Hays State University and his MS from KSU. He taught band in Abilene for 20 years, then for 19 years in Lyons. He has played for numerous weddings, churches, and community bands. He is enjoying retirement, spending time with grandchildren, family, and traveling. He especially likes playing his trumpet for enjoyment.

**Mark Newton, horn**, received his BS degree from Concordia College, Seward, NE; his MME from Wichita State; and PhD work from KSU. He served as band director for Lakin, Medicine Lodge and Hugoton, in addition to spending 19 years as a school principal and recently retiring as superintendent. He is currently enjoying a 'retirement' job teaching Band in Ellinwood.

**Jenny Colglazier, trombone**, received her BME from Southwestern College in Winfield, Kansas. Teaching for 18 years, she served as band director at South Barber before moving to Larned where she has taught elementary music and beginning band. Jenny has performed with the Great Bend City Band, J. Bennett Big Band, Little Big Band, Prairie Winds Concert Band, and Prairie Winds Big Band.

**Steven Lueth, tuba**, received his BME and MME degrees from Ft. Hays State University. He has served as band director for Ness City, Russell, Barton Community College. As a keyboardist, he has performed with Myron Floren, Little Anthony and the Imperials, The Diamonds and currently performs with local jazz/rock bands. Although semi-retired, he is currently the Jazz Director/Theory Instructor at Kansas Wesleyan University.