

*Welcome to the 2013 Lower State
2AA-4AAA Marching Band Championships!*

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CHAMPIONSHIPS
2013 LOWER STATE

West Ashley High School

*October 19, 2013
WAHS in Charleston, South Carolina*

CHIP CROTTS, Acworth, GA - Music Performance

Dr. Chip Crotts serves as Director of Jazz Studies and Assistant Director of Bands at Georgia Institute of Technology (Georgia Tech) in Atlanta, GA. Previously, Chip served on the faculties of Samford University, Jacksonville State University, and The University of Texas at Austin. A GRAMMY nominated musician, Crotts has performed and recorded for the Disney Company in Europe and the United States, and maintains an active career as a first call musician for national touring shows and orchestral dates throughout the Southeast. Chip has toured and worked with numerous international artists over the years, including Boston Brass, The Manhattan Transfer, Ray Charles, Rhythm and Brass, Natalie Cole, The O'Jay's, Frankie Valli, The Temptations, and Maynard Ferguson, among others.

He received his undergraduate degree from East Carolina University, a Masters of Music in Orchestral Performance from Penn State University, as well as the Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Trumpet Performance with a Jazz Emphasis from the University of Texas-Austin. Highly involved in the marching arts and drum corps, Dr. Crotts has served as brass caption head for Spirit of Atlanta and Phantom Regiment, as well as a brass instructor with The Blue Devils. During this tenure, he was fortunate to win multiple DCI World Championships, with Phantom Regiment and The Blue Devils, respectively. Chip is very active as a clinician and adjudicator and serves in this capacity with organizations such as Bands of America, Drum Corps International, and numerous state and national music educator associations. Dr. Chip Crotts is a Yamaha Performing Artist and Clinician.

BUD MCCARTER, Greenville, SC - Timing & Penalty -

Mr. McCarter joins us today with multiple years of experience in judging for timing and penalty.

We dedicate part of our program to Mr. J. Eddie Shealy for his 33 years of music dedication to our students. Mr. Shealy will be retiring this year so we would like to say "Thank you". You will be missed but we will always remember you and carry a part of you with us in our love for music. You are a musical inspiration!