

**Lisa Mast** is a native of Weatherford, Ok., and choral director at Fort Defiance High School in Augusta County, Va. In addition to teaching vocal music, guitar, and handbells, Mast is also a music specialist at Clymore Elementary, working with kindergarten and first grade students.

Lisa recently traveled with students to New York, Vermont, and Québec, where the musicians performed at Sainte Anne de Beaupré and at the Trapp Family Lodge in Stowe, Vt. She is director and musical director for the annual school musical. Members of the Fort Defiance choral ensembles are regularly selected to the all-district and all-state choirs.

Lisa sings with the Shenandoah Valley Choral Society and serves on its board of directors. She has performed with choirs throughout the U.S., Europe, and Cuba. Her professional affiliations include the Music Educators National Conference, the Virginia Music Educators Association, the Virginia Choral Directors Association, and the American Choral Directors Association. In March 2008, that organization honored her with the Colleen Kirk Award. She was participated in the VMEA Leadership Symposium, a two-year program for young music educators. Lisa holds an Associate of Arts degree in liberal arts: music from Hesston College, (Kan.), and a Bachelor of Science degree in music education from EMU.