

2016-2017 Governor's Educator of the Year

Intermediate School:

Although Mr. Martinho has only been with us a short time at WIS, the knowledge and experience he has brought from his former districts have given him a solid foundation for the success he has found here. During Mr. Martinho's 1½ year tenure as the WIS Strings Teacher and Orchestra Director, he has risen to the level of mastery. He has breathed new life into the Intermediate School Orchestra program. His students look forward to playing in his orchestra and spend countless hours during their lunch period honing their skills under Mr. Martinho's encouraging tutelage. He has also completely revamped our Elementary Strings Program. By starting his day at 7:30AM, Mr. Martinho sees each of our elementary orchestra students twice a week. It's amazing how far they've come in just a few short months. Dan Martinho's passion for teaching strings is second to none. He consistently goes above and beyond and he is a perfect addition to the outstanding cadre of Educators of the Year from Wall Township.