

**East Stroudsburg Area School District**  
**2022 Music Hall of Fame of Fame Inductee**



**David Lantz III**

David Lantz III taught in the East Stroudsburg High School Vocal Music Department for 29 years, from October of 1991 through June of 2020. Prior to his time at ESHS, he taught both high school and K-6 music in New Jersey. In addition, David has directed choirs at the college level, both at East Stroudsburg University and at Lafayette College

While at East Stroudsburg Area School District, David enriched the program by adding three levels of music fundamentals: Piano classes and a solo Vocal Technique and Styling class. Under his direction, the Concert Choir, Chorale and Choraliers garnered many superior ratings at events throughout the years. He also helped many students in their efforts to place in District, Region, All-State, All-Eastern, and National Choruses.

David is a prolific composer and arranger of sacred and secular choral music, with approximately 800 published compositions with many major publishers throughout the United States. He has written for choir, piano, orchestra, symphonic band, jazz ensemble, and chamber groups since 1981. In 2021 he was commissioned to write a band/choral piece for the inauguration of the new president of the University of Scranton, also conducting the ensembles for that occasion.

After retiring from East Stroudsburg, David continues working diligently in the publishing field as a composer, arranger, and music typesetter. He is the president and co-founder of Lantz Choral Publications, a company owned by his wife Marti and him. In addition, David is an active musician, performing regularly as a bassist, pianist, and vocalist, mostly in the jazz idiom. He also continues to serve as choir director at Stroudsburg United Methodist Church.

David obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in music education from Susquehanna University and his Master of Music degree in composition from West Chester University. He and his wife Marti have six grown children and four grandchildren.