

Loren Wenz, Conductor  
George Fox University Concert Choir

Loren Wenz received his B.A. degree in Music Education from Whitworth College, in Spokane Washington and his M.A. degree in Music Education from Eastern Washington University in Cheney Washington.

Mr. Wenz has taught high school and junior high choral and instrumental music in the Spokane and Mead Washington school districts. He has also taught choral music and been the department coordinator of the fine and performing arts, foreign language, ESL and industrial education departments at South Salem High School. Loren has been an adjunct instructor at Gonzaga University, Whitworth College, University of Oregon, Oregon State University, Western Oregon University and Willamette University. He has also been very involved in church music for over twenty years.

High school Concert and Jazz choirs under his direction have consistently won numerous festivals and have performed at many MENC, ACDA, and IAJE conventions.

Mr. Wenz has directed the Washington and Oregon All State Jazz Choirs, and has been guest conductor, adjudicator and/or clinician at many concert and jazz choir festivals throughout the Pacific Northwest and Canada. He also has presented workshops at numerous Northwest and State MENC conferences.

Loren is the recipient of the “legacy award” presented at the South Salem Vocal Jazz Festival. He was acknowledged by the Salem Keizer School District for “Highest achievement of Excellence in Concert and Jazz Choir Development”. Willamette University and the Salem-Keizer School District have both honored him as Secondary Educator of the year.

In 2006 the George Fox University Concert Choir, under his direction, had the honor of being selected and performing at the OMEA State Conference. In 2007 Concert Choir was chosen to sing at the 2007 Northwest MENC Conference in Portland.

Loren currently is an associate professor of music at George Fox University in Newberg Oregon where he is the director of choral activities and serves as the Performing Arts Department Chairman.

Loren and his wife Ginna are the parents of Darren and Tina and proud grandparents of Caleb, Ryan, Penelope and Lewis.