



# Blue River Valley Schools

## Home of the Vikings

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Cultivating Communities...Growing Expectations...Empowering Dreams

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## Alex Carter

### **Welcome and About Me!**

Hello Viking nation! My name is Alex Carter, and I am proud to be your student's band teacher! I have been on faculty at BRV schools since the fall of 2021 and a director of the Henry County Crimson Crusader marching band since 2022. When not in the classroom or practicing instruments, I enjoy cooking with my family, listening to new music, trying to stay current with the video games my students tell me about, and playing disc golf.

### **My Education and Professional Background**

I have a Bachelor of Music degree in trumpet performance from Oakland University and was awarded a Fellowship to attend The University of Michigan where I received master's degrees in Trumpet Performance and Chamber Music. From there I attended Ball State University to further study trumpet and pedagogy, and was a member of the Da Camera Brass Quintet, as well as teaching several students. On the performing side of things, I have performed with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Louisville Orchestra, Ft. Wayne Philharmonic, Indianapolis Chamber Orchestra, as well as freelancing around the Midwest in various musical productions, studio sessions, and other venues.

### **My Educational Philosophy and Thoughts on Our School**

I believe every student deserves to be respected while being given the opportunity to learn and be nurtured. I joined teaching because I wanted to be a positive role model for the students and help them become good citizens in our world and learn to play some great music along the way. Blue River Valley is a wonderful place, because the students get to know one another fast, and that helps to foster the team and family aspect that band class allows us to have.

### **My Family**

When not performing or teaching, I enjoy spending time with my wife Liz, daughter Eloise and our beagles, Mabel and Tilly.