



Ashley Johnson

Ms. Ashley Johnson, born in Arlington, Texas, is the orchestra director at Apollo Junior High School in Richardson ISD. She is a graduate from Baylor University. Ms. Johnson began studying the violin privately at age seven with Emily Goodyear Klophaus. She was inspired to pursue a career in music education by her Arlington High School orchestra director, Ms. Linda Keefer, and choir director, Mrs. Dinah Menger. While at Baylor University, Ms. Johnson played violin in the Baylor Symphony Orchestra and was a member of Dr. Eka Gogichashvili's violin studio. She was a private violin and viola teacher in Midway ISD and Waco ISD and taught in the Baylor University String Project for four years. Her orchestras have consistently won sweepstakes awards at UIL Concert & Sight-reading Contests. In addition to her teaching, Ms. Johnson is an active clinician and judge in the Dallas area and around the state. Ms. Johnson performs solo or with a quartet at

weddings and is a member of the Park Cities Baptist Church Sanctuary Orchestra. Her professional affiliations include Texas Music Educators Association, Texas Orchestra Directors Association, and Chi Omega National Fraternity. When she is not teaching, Ms. Johnson enjoys working out, spending time with her miniature Australian shepherd named Gracie, and being an aunt to her niece and nephews.