

## **Emily Garlock**

Director of Musical Operations, Advanced Choir

Emily Garlock is currently in her fourteenth year of teaching after graduating from Ashland University with a degree in Vocal Music Education. She has studied with Stephanie Sikora, Rowland Blackley, Marla Butke, and Donald Sloan for her undergrad work and continues graduate lessons. She recently completed her MSED program through Walden University, and is looking towards a doctoral program. Currently, she works as the Vocal Music Director, Department Chair, and Assistant Drama Director at Brecksville-Broadview Heights High School. In her tenure at BBH, her choirs have been awarded "Best Chamber Ensemble", "Best Tenor Section", and "Best Percussion Accompaniment" at the Smoky Mountain Music Festival in Gatlinburg, TN. Her high school choirs consistently receive 'T' ratings in OMEA contests, and have recently performed for the Akron Symphony and United Airlines. Mrs. Garlock has experience with orchestral conducting as the BBHHS choirs and orchestras have performed the Mozart Requiem in both the Cleveland area at St. Stanislaus as well as St. Michael's in Chicago. She also regularly conducts pieces of Handel's Messiah at BBH.

Emily has artistically and musically directed dozens of concerts in her tenure as music educator including adult choirs, church choirs, jazz, show, and children's choirs. Professionally, Mrs. Garlock has performed with the Cleveland POPS Orchestra Chorus under the direction of Bill Zurkey, performing for artists such as Donna McKechnie, Jodi Benson, Stephanie J. Block, and Michael Feinstein. Most recently, Mrs. Garlock served on the board of Ohio Choral Director's Association for two years as the High School Show Choir Repertoire and Standards Chair and has multiple articles published in the national music education magazine, TRIAD. This past fall, Mrs. Garlock was nominated as a finalist for the first inaugural Akron Symphony's Music Educator of the Year Award, and was recognized at their holiday concert this past December. She has been a part of Summit Choral Society for 4 years starting as an accompanist. She now teaches the Advanced Choir and A Cappella, Movie Music, and Broadway extension choirs.

Emily enjoys her \*limited\* downtime having season tickets for the Cleveland Indians and Cleveland Browns, as well as season tickets to Playhouse Square's Broadway season. She resides in Medina with her husband, Scott.