

Mr. Rueff Lopez Frazao is the Middle School and High School Orchestra Director and Codirector for High School Symphony Orchestra at Osceola County School for the Arts in Kissimmee, Florida. Since 2016, Mr. Frazao has also taught keyboard, guitar, music theory, composition, songwriting, production and humanities. Born in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and raised in Newark, New Jersey, he began to study music seriously when he moved to Orlando, Florida, in 1998. A product of Orange County Public Schools, Mr. Frazao studied music with Mr. Brian Hellhake and studied privately on string bass with Orlando Philharmonic Orchestra principal bassist, Mr. Don-Michael Hill. Mr. Frazao received his bachelor's in music education in 2013 from University of Central Florida and studied conducting with Dr. Laszlo Marosi, Mr. Michael Garasi, Dr. Scott Tobias, and Dr. David Brunner. After college, Mr. Frazao has participated in the Florida Southern College Conducting Workshop with Dr. Kira Omelchenko, University of Central Florida Conducting Workshop with Dr. Chung Park, Texas Conducting Workshop at University of Texas in Arlington with Mr. Larry Livingston and Dr. Clifton Evans. Mr. Frazao has performed as a bassist/cellist with Disney's Encore Orchestra and Tampa Bay Symphony Orchestra, and has additionally performed in Arkansas, Texas, Indiana, and Italy. Mr. Frazao studied voice with Mr. Alan Gerber and went on to sing in operatic and theatrical productions at St. Petersburg Opera under Maestro Mark Sforzini. Mr. Frazao has taught at the elementary, middle, and high school levels, and is a highly sought-after clinician and conductor. Mr. Frazao has also been an adjudicator for district Solo & Ensemble, All-County events, All-State auditions and reseating, and coordinated the Pinellas County and Osceola All-County Orchestra. In 2018, Mr. Frazao's students performed with Yo-Yo Ma, Colin Jacobsen, and Orlando Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by Maestro Eric Jacobsen. In 2020, Mr. Frazao served as the Vice-President of the Orlando Philharmonic Orchestra's Accent group and was one of the Florida Music Education Association's Emerging Leaders, Orlando Philharmonic Orchestra's Young Professionals, and has presented at state and district conferences and clinics. Mr. Frazao's ensembles performed at the Viennese Masters Invitation at Carnegie Hall, performed Holst's Jupiter at the Celebration Foundation Concert Series with Orlando Philharmonic Orchestra, performed and orchestrated for fiddler Gary Lovini "King of Strings" at Dr. Phillips Performing Arts Center. Mr. Frazao's students have received honorable accolades and superior ratings at district festivals, consistent student participation in state and district honor ensembles, perform with Florida Symphony Youth Orchestra and Osceola Youth Orchestra, collaborated with local colleges, and performed with professionals in the community. Mr. Frazao coordinates the annual OCSA Concerto & Aria Competition, annual Symphony College-Trip, Chamber Music Recital, and is currently the Tri-M Advisor of Chapter 7583 at OCSA. When he is not conducting, performing, or teaching, he is always ready for the next adventure while kayaking, exploring, traveling, hiking, camping and spending time with his family, loved ones, and his dog Stella.