

David Maccabee is the former Director of Bands at United Township High School, East Moline, Illinois, a position he held from 1986-2016. Mr. Maccabee also served as Associate Director of Bands at Palo Verde High School in Las Vegas from 2016-2020, as well as Associate Director of Bands at Las Vegas Academy of the Arts from 2020 until his retirement in 2024.

During his 30-year career at United Township High School, his bands earned numerous awards in both the areas of concert and marching band. The UTHS Marching Panthers earned the distinction of having been named a finalist at the State of Illinois Invitational Marching Band Championships every year from 1996-2007, and again in 2010. During that time, they were Class Champions on 6 different occasions. Mr. Maccabee's bands also have been named Bands of America regional finalist, as well as Grand National Semifinalist. In the fall of 2024, Mr. Maccabee will be inducted into the State of Illinois Invitational Marching Band Championship Hall of Fame.

Under Mr. Maccabee's direction, the UTHS Symphonic Band earned numerous state and national awards. They performed at the Illinois Music Educators Association All-State music festival on three occasions, 5 times as a featured performer at the Music for All National Concert Band Festival, and twice at Chicago's Orchestra Hall. The UTHS Symphonic Band performed for the prestigious Midwest International Band and Orchestra Clinic in 1998. In addition, under Mr. Maccabee's direction, the UTHS Symphonic Band performed on numerous occasions at the prestigious University of Illinois Super State Band Festival, where they were named Honor Band in 2015.

Maccabee is an elected member of the prestigious American Bandmaster's Association, and the Illinois Chapter of Phi Beta Mu honored Maccabee as their "Bandmaster of the Year" in 2014. He also has received numerous citations of excellence from the National Bandmasters Association, where he served as State Chair for both the states of Illinois and Nevada. He is a frequent conductor, clinician, and adjudicator for marching and concert events throughout the country.