**John Miller** has been the Director of Bands at American Fork High School for the past twenty seven years. The American Fork Bands have received many honors under his direction. In recent years the marching band has performed in the Fiesta bowl, the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade, a finalist at the Bands of America National Marching Band Championships, the 2005 Presidential Inaugural Parade in Washington DC and in the 2007 Macy’s Parade in New York City and has placed first in the Bands of America Western Regionals for the past two years. In 2010 the band was a recipient of the John Philip Sousa “Sudler Shield”. The AF Wind Symphony performed at the 2004 Bands of America National Concert Band Festival and has performed at the Utah Music Educators State Conference on two occasions. His Jazz band has twice placed runner-up at the Lionel Hampton International Jazz Festival and placed first six times at the Crescent Jazz Festival. In 2010 he was the presented with the “Ray Smith Music Educator of the Year” award.
      Mr. Miller was chosen as one of the 1998 Accent on Excellence recipients for the Alpine School District and in 1999 was selected as Teacher of The Year for the Alpine School District. He has received four Citations of Excellence from the National Band Association and in 2002 was selected as one of the 50 directors in America that make a difference. He has received two “Outstanding Achievement” awards from the Utah Music Educators Association. In 2003 he was selected by Bands of America and the Music Educators National Conference as their music teacher of the year. In 2009 he received the Outstanding Music Educator Award from the National Federation of High School Activities Association for the Western States. Holding a Masters degree in Music Education from Brigham Young University, he is the past Band Vice-President of the Utah Music Educators, past president of the Idaho Gem-state Music educators, served 10 years as chairman of the Utah All-State Band, past Marching Band Chairman and is currently the Treasurer and for the Utah Music Educators Association and serves as the Western Regional Chair of the National Band Association. He is a frequent adjudicator and clinician throughout the United States. In 2012 he was the first Utah director to present a session at the MidWest International Band and Orchestra Clinic in Chicago. In 2006 Mr. Miller became the founding director of the Wasatch Winds Symphonic Band, an adult community band. Under his direction the band has grown to over 85 members and already has an established concert series in the community.
      As Director of Bands at American Fork H.S. his responsibilities include direction of the Marching Band, Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, two Jazz bands, Brass Ensembles and Orchestra Winds. He is active in the Boy Scouts of America having received advanced Wood Badge training in that organization and has received the prestigious Silver Beaver Award for long term commitment to scouting. He currently serves as the District Vice-Chairman for the Silver Lake Scouting District. Mr. Miller is married to Pam Miller and they have six children and fourteen grandchildren. Mr. Miller believes strongly in the development of student leaders and the growth of the students in all areas of their lives including their musical development and believes that every student should experience the joy of music performance.