

Lawrence Flynn received a B.A. in Music Composition and a B.S. in Music Education from the Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Mr. Flynn took the role as Band Director at L.E. Direuff High School in the fall of 2017. Prior to this, he directed an Elementary Strings program spanning the whole of Allentown, PA, and created several after-school performing ensembles for students through high school. Lawrence was honored with the 'Award for Excellence in Arts Education' from the Lehigh Valley Arts Council in 2011, and in 2016 he received the Allentown Arts Commission's 'Outstanding Educator in the Arts' award. Mr. Flynn encourages his students to create original works and arrangements for Pep Band, Marching Band, Concert Band and Music Theory.

Lawrence performs regularly with the folk trio, Woodside Avenue, and with his brother, Mike, in a duo, The Flynn Brothers. After composing extensively for decades within the folk genre, the piece, 'Emerson's River' is Lawrence's first movement back toward a Modern Classical work, though tonally and stylistically, the folk genre was certainly not abandoned.