

Russell Tipton, Tuba

Q: What instrument(s) do you play?

A: Tuba

Q: When and how did you get started in music?

A: I started my music career in the 6th grade on trombone.

Q: When did you begin playing with the SOST?

A: I am currently in my 3rd season as a full time member. Before that, I subbed for several years.

Q: Educational background?

A: Humble High School-2000; Lamar University- Bachelor of Music Education-Fall 2004; Lamar University- Master of Music Education-Spring 2006; Lamar University- Master of Educational Administration- Spring 2008

Q: Who has been your greatest influence in music?

A: My high school band director is my great musical influence. He is the reason I decided to pursue a career in education.

Q: What is your "day job?"

A: I am currently the Director of Bands in Bridge City ISD.

Q: Hobbies or activities outside of SOST?

A: Outside of my work at BC and SOST, I am a father and a husband. Being Nolan's dad and Lindsey's husband is truly the joy of my life.

Q: Favorite music?

A: I am actually a country music fan.