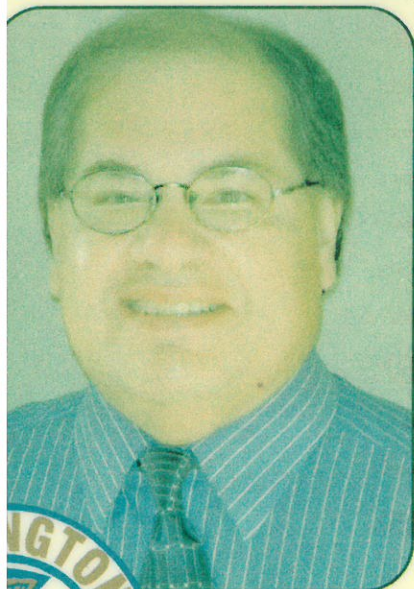


Michael Cervantes

Inducted into the *Hall of Fame* in 2008



Michael Cervantes was born and raised in Davenport, Iowa and since then has lived and taught in Davenport at Davenport West High School, Muscatine at Muscatine High School and finally in Cedar Rapids, Iowa at George Washington High School. He was the Theatre Director at all three high schools as well as a Language Arts Teacher. In all three high schools, he was an advisor to the International Thespian Society as well as the advisor for Iowa High School Speech Association. At Muscatine High School he also helped choreograph show choir. At Washington High School he directed the Prep Show Choir Celebration from its inception and for the next seven years.

Michael received his BA degree from the University of Northern Iowa in Speech and Drama with a minor in English. He received his teaching degree from the University of Iowa with endorsements in Theatre and English. He received his MA degree in Secondary Administration from the University of Iowa.

Michael is married to his college sweetheart JoAnn and they have two children; Matthew who lives with his wife Katie and their daughter Eleanor Grace here in Cedar Rapids and a daughter Erin who is a model and actress in

Los Angeles, California.

Michael has also been seen on stage in numerous Theatre Cedar Rapids productions and at Bruce More. He is now semi-retired, but still directing high school students at Xavier High School. Michael would like to personally thank all the performing arts directors he has worked with over the last twenty two years at Washington, and the past and present members of the Patrons of Performing Arts at Washington High School for all their support and this very great honor. He would also like to thank Dr. Ralph Plagman for his trust and the unending support he has given to the Performing Arts at Washington High School.

