



CYPRESS FALLS BAND BOOSTERS

Booster Meeting Agenda

**October 2, 2024, 7:00 PM @ The Cypress Falls Band Hall
(Normally the First Tuesday of Each Month, 7:00pm, Band Hall)**

Directors Comments: Ryan Mohney – ryan.mohney@cfisd.net

- Jose Funes – jose.funes@cfisd.net
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2024 - 2025 School Year Board Members

- Board Members
 - President – Cindy Hogue - board@cypressfallsband.org
 - Vice President of Fundraising – Janet Cortes-Pena - janetcortes-pena@gmail.com
 - Vice President of Membership – Jennifer Alford - merchandise@cypressfallsband.org
 - Treasurer – Tom Neihaus - treasurer@cypressfallsband.org
 - Secretary – Gaby Torres – gabypenatorres@gmail.com
 - Booster meeting minutes are posted on the band website
- Committee Chairs
 - Chaperones – Gaby Torres – chaperone@cypressfallsband.org
 - Shadow/Assistant - Needed
 - Merchandise – Jennifer Alford – merchandise@cypressfallsband.org
 - Cy Falls Flags – John Tompkins – cyfallsflags@gmail.com
 - **Shadow/Assistant - Needed**
 - Percussion – Kerri Guitierrez – percussion@cypressfallsband.org
 - Shadow Needed
 - Uniforms – Kerri Guitierrez – uniforms@cypressfallsband.org
 - **Shadow/Assistant Needed**
 - Equipment – Paul Hogue – equipment@cypressfallsband.org
 - Meals/Drinks – Melissa Tompkins – 713-392-4592
 - Color Guard – Kelly Barker – 713-416-4339

Fee Schedule – Contact Cindy Hogue (president) or Tom Neihaus (treasurer) if you need to discuss a payment plan. Pay online through Cut Time, or by cash or check made out to CFBB.

Returning Members	Rookies
• May 25 - \$50.00	May 25 - \$50.00
• July 15 - \$200.00	July 15 - \$200.00
• August 15 - \$200.00	August 15 - \$200
• Sept 15 - \$75.00	Sept 15 - \$200.00

Upcoming Events:

- Oct 5, (SAT) – BOA Clear Creek (Volunteers Needed)
 - Oct 5, (SAT) – Football Game vs Cypress Creek (H) @ Berry 7pm (Volunteers Needed)
 - Uniforms to be Taken Home & Washed after Cy Creek Game (Volunteers Needed)
 - Oct 10, (THURS) Football Game vs Northbrook @ Tully 6:30pm (Volunteers Needed)
 - Oct 14, (MON) No School, Student/Staff Holiday
 - Oct 18, (FRI) Football Game vs Jersey Village (HOCO) @ Pridgeon 7pm (Volunteers Needed)
 - Oct 19, (SAT) Battle at the Berry Marching Competition (Volunteers Needed)
 - Oct 25, (FRI) – Football Game vs. Stratford @ Tully, 7pm (Volunteers Needed)
 - Oct 26, (SAT) – Hosting UIL Region Marching Competition @ Berry (Volunteers Needed)
 - Nov 2, (SAT) – UIL Area Marching Competition @ Berry (Volunteers Needed)
 - Nov 2, (SAT) – Football Game vs. Cy Fair (A) @ Pridgeon 7pm (Volunteers Needed)
 - Nov 4 & 5, (MON, TUES) – Student Holiday/Teacher Workday (~~Full Band Rehearsal Remains~~)
 - Nov 5 (TUES) – Election Day - Potentially Moving Booster Meeting – Look for Updates
 - Nov 8, (FRI) – Football Game vs Cy Ridge @ Pridgeon 7pm (Senior Game) (Volunteers Needed)
- moved meeting to
Nov. 6*
- **Treasurer's Report: Tom Neihaus**
 - We raised close to \$20,000 on Widdy Up – Thank you to all that donated!

Committee Reports:

Merchandise: Jennifer Alford (email: merchandise@cypressfallsband.org)

- See band website for spirit merchandise available to purchase

Fundraising: Janet Cortez-Pena (email: fundraising@cypressfallsband.org)

- **FREE MONEY:** The best way to help the band is to not miss out on FREE MONEY!
 - If you have a **KROGER CARD** use Kroger Rewards #82396. Check to make sure you are registered.
- Sponsorship
 - If your business or you know a business that would like to sponsor the band please contact Janet. See sponsorship levels in this packet or on the website.
- Major Fundraisers:
 - Rock-a-Thon (Organized by Membership Committee)
 - Cy Falls Flags, 5 times a year
 - Hosting Indoor Competitions- TCGC
 - Festival at the Falls
 - Widdy Up
 - Mattress Fundraiser
- Minor Fundraisers
 - Raising Canes Spirit Night
 - Willie's Icehouse Spirit Nights

Cy Falls Flags: John Tompkins (email: cyfallsflags@gmail.com)

- Remind 101 sign up: Text @cyfallsfl to 81010
- Flag distribution: **Veteran's Day – TBD**
- **Looking for Flag Assistant to help with distribution & collection at the Green Box as well as help place sleeves and markers at subscriber's homes.**

Membership: Jennifer Alford (email: membership@cypressfallsband.org)

- Rock-A-Thon
 - **Big Shout Out to all those that helped to make this event a huge success!**
 - **We had over 100 baskets to give away.**
- Future Membership Events
 - Pink Out Game
 - Senior Night

Equipment: Paul Hogue (email: equipment@cypressfallsband.org)

- Builds props, loads and unloads equipment and props for games and competitions
- Prop building
 - **Thank you to those that helped with Prop Building!**
 - **And Big Shout out to all of those that help load, unload, set up the props and get them on and off the field in a flash.**
- Text Paul at 713-303-5054 if you have any questions
- Join Remind Group text @equip24 to 81010

Color Guard: Kelly Barker – 713-416-4339

- If you would like to volunteer to help with the color guard text Kelly.

Percussion: Kerri Guitierrez (email: percussion@cypressfallsband.org)

- If you would like to volunteer to help with percussion contact Kerri.

Meals / Refreshments: Melissa Tompkins

- Sign up on the website to help set up, serve and clean up after meals for game days and competitions.
- If you have a connection with a restaurant or food vendor that could donate or offer discounts to feed the band, please contact Melissa.713-392-4592
- Looking for donations of bottled water and canned soda/tea. Drop off at band booster closet at booster meetings, or any time band hall is open.
- **Thank you to all those that help feed our hungry crew!**

Uniforms: Kerri Guitierrez (email: uniforms@cypressfallsband.org)

- Fitting, mending, cleaning all band uniforms
 - Uniforms are washed every 2-3 wearings.
 - If you can volunteer to wash the uniforms, sign-up on the website. Uniforms are washed inside out on gentle using Woolite provided by the band. Dry on low. Hang and return.
 - **Thank you to those that helped fit uniforms and shakos! The kids look great.**
 - **Next Volunteer Opportunity – Washing Uniforms - Saturday, Oct. 5th after the football game.**

Chaperone: Gaby Torres (email: chaperone@cypressfallsband.org)

Thank you to all those that have ridden a bus, handed out band aids, taken students to the restroom, filled water jugs, etc. You are noticed and appreciated.

- Sign-up will be posted on the band website for volunteer opportunities for games, competitions, and other events.
 - www.cypressfallsband.org under the parents tab

- What do chaperones do at games?
 - Ride busses
 - Escort to restrooms
 - Monitor stairs
 - Fill water bottles
 - Move props
 - First Aid is needed at every game
- What is a Band Aid?
 - Can't leave work early? Meet us at the stadium.
 - Same duties as chaperones minus the bus ride
 - You must purchase a ticket to the game.

All chaperones must be an approved CFISD volunteer. To become a CFISD volunteer

- Go to CFISD.net
- Go to "Community involvement"
- Select "Volunteer"
- Create a "Volunteer Portal Account"

All volunteers who wish to chaperone must send a screen shot of your CFISD volunteer "My Profile" page to Gaby at chaperone@cypressfallsband.org.

Information Resources to Stay in Contact with the Band:

- Website: www.cypressfallsband.org.
Band calendar, student forms, Band Boosters: Officers and Committee Chairs contact information, Cy Falls Flags order form, merchandise, chaperones and volunteers information, plus other resource information
- Remind 101 Text Alerts - Send a text to 81010 with message: @fallsbandp
- Instagram: cypressfallsband
- Facebook: Cypress Falls Band Boosters

Sponsorship: email: board@cypressfallsband.org or fundraising@cypressfallsband.org

- If you or someone you know is interested in supporting the band thru sponsorship donations please get in touch with a board member. Sponsorship opportunities can be monetary or in the form of supplies, food or other items the band may need. Sponsorship information can be found on the band website under "Sponsors."

**Thank You to Our Sponsors
Please Support Those That Support Us**



Band Booster Meeting - October 2, 2024

7:08 pm

Sarah Walton's grandmother calls meeting to order; Kerri Gutierrez seconds the motion

Comments from Director - Ryan Mohny

- New Weather Rules set by District and all across the State. There's a weather station on the school roof that measures when kids are allowed to go outside.
- Students are adapting well and doing a great job. Doing homework and being successful.
- Students are handling the long hours well with late evenings and early morning competitions. Appreciate the students handling last Saturday very well with our mall visit.
- Grade eligibility check was last Friday and goes into effect next Friday. Only about 3-4 students are affected and will not be able to perform at football games or competitions. Students will still attend rehearsals, but not travel with the band to perform. Teachers are permitted to waive one upper level class if a student is not passing, but on level classes can not be waived.
- Overall students are doing well academically.
- Band does one weekly grade for participation. Major grades include performances at football games and competitions.
- Students need to pass off their music and this starts in summer band. They have unlimited tries to pass off.
- We have another BOA competition this Saturday, Oct. 5th at Challenger Stadium in Webster. It is another prelims/finals competition.
- BOA competitions have judges up top and also on the field. UIL only has judges up top.
- CutTime - want to confirm every parent is receiving messages and is understanding how CutTime works.
- Homecoming game is October 18. During half time the band will perform for the homecoming court. We will have a performance post game. Alumni is invited to attend homecoming game and can be in the stands during 3rd and 4th quarter.
- Battle at the Berry is on October 19. Band will perform at 1 pm - that should allow for students to attend the homecoming dance in the evening.
- Cy-Falls Band will host UIL Region at the Berry Center. Several shifts available and we need all the help we can get. Part of the money raised at this event will come back to the band. We will only need a skeleton crew to help with getting our band to their performance.

Comments from Percussion Director - Mr. Beck

- We will have a meeting on Monday with the district regarding indoor drumline. Will know more after this meeting regarding costs.

Comments from Booster President - Cindy Hogue

- Booster Meeting for November has been moved to November 6th. No School on Monday or Tuesday of that week.
- No full band rehearsal for that Tuesday.

Treasurer's Report - Tom Neihaus

- Brought in \$19,321.58 - not including Widdy Up fundraiser
- Spent \$24,469.59
- We made close to \$20,000 through Widdy Up.

Merchandise - Jennifer Alford

- Some of the orders that were placed have arrived, but not all.

Fundraising - Janet Cortes-Pena

- Keep using Kroger Card.
- Thank you to everyone that helped with the Widdy Up fundraiser.
- Will be doing another chocolate fundraiser to sell the last few boxes that we have. It will kick off at Last Blast on November 12 and will run through December 2.
- Students are allowed to sell the chocolate at school.
- If you know a company that would like to sponsor, please let Janet know.

Flags - John Tompkins (not present)

- Flags for Veterans Day will probably be scheduled for pick up after school on Friday, November 1 from 3 - 5 pm. Flag return date will likely be scheduled for November 16.
- John needs another person to help with the flag fundraiser.

Membership - Jennifer Alford

- Rock-A-Thon was a huge success. Thank you to everyone that donated and volunteered.
- Pink Out game is this Saturday, Oct. 5. We will work on some way to honor/recognize loved ones.
- Senior Night is November 8. Will be sending information regarding ordering a big head of your senior student. Will be ordering medals and preparing slide show. Parents go on the field with their senior student.

Equipment - Paul Hogue

- Thanks to all the parents that have helped out with equipment.
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Color Guard - Kelly Barker - Nothing to share for today

Percussion - Kerri Gutierrez - Nothing to share for today

Meals/Refreshments - Melissa Tompkins (not present)

- Donations are always welcome.
- If you have any connections to food industry please reach out to Melissa.

Uniforms - Kerri Gutierrez

- Washing uniforms this coming Saturday. Please consider helping to wash. Sign up is posted to the band website.
- Water Bottle holders fit igloo water bottles and RTIC.
- Need another person to help and shadow - Kerri is a senior parent and this is her last year.
- Be sure students have long black socks for games and competitions.

Chaperones - Gaby Torres

- Thank you to all the volunteers that have helped so far. We truly appreciate it.
- Please contact Gaby if you have any questions or if you need to remove yourself from a sign up.

Motion to end meeting - Stephen Smith; Ginger seconds the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm