



CYPRESS FALLS BAND BOOSTERS

Booster Meeting Agenda

**February 4, 2025, 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
- Brandon Beck – brandon.beck@cfisd.net
- Lauren Hall – lauren.hall@cfisd.net

Director's Comments – Ryan Mohney

- **Last stretch before Spring Break**
- **Winter Guard doing super well; Ms. Hall is doing a great job; next show is March 8 and again on March 22 which is area and that will determine if they make state**
- **Indoor Drumline got 5th at WGI Regional – hard regional and they did really well.**
- **This week is the mattress fundraiser zoom meeting; should only last about 15-20 minutes**
- **Students can add contacts and have texts sent out to them regarding the mattress fundraiser.**
- **TCGC show hosting is happening March 8 at Cy-Falls; TCGC will bring staff to help with warm up room and equipment room.**
- **Short walk through on Friday, March 7 at 5 pm for any volunteer that wants to see the setup and learn the flow of the contest. Contest will be all day Saturday – percussion will go in the morning and color guard will perform in the second half of the day; Falls band will get 2/3 of proceeds from ticket sales and all of concessions proceeds.**
- **Grades will determine eligibility in the next couple weeks and this may affect winter guard and indoor; overall students are doing well academically.**
- **After Spring Break we have Pre-UIL here at Falls along with Labay and it will be right after school.**
- **Students will wear concert uniforms and need long black socks, black dress shoes, and white button down dress shirt.**
- **Mattress Fundraiser is on March 22 here at Falls in the commons.**
- **Next month there will be more information regarding band banquet.**

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

Cindy's Comments:

- VIPS luncheon is scheduled for April 30 at Berry Center. If you log at least one hour you will receive an email invite to attend the luncheon; if you are able you should attend – we usually sit together at one table.
- Spring Trip needs to be fully paid by March 11th which is during spring break.
- TCGC still has available spots for volunteers to sign up – we need help in concessions.
- Send off concert will be March 27 at Cy-Falls auditorium.

Treasurer's Report:

- Brought in \$9,243.08
- Spent \$11,141.04

➤ 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 – Don Crosby
- Percussion – Kerri Guitierrez – percussion@cypressfallsband.org **(OPEN)**
 - Shadow Needed
- Uniforms – Kerri Guitierrez – uniforms@cypressfallsband.org **(OPEN)**
 - **Shadow/Assistant Needed**
- Equipment – Paul Hogue – equipment@cypressfallsband.org **(OPEN)**
- Meals/Drinks – Melissa Tompkins – 713-392-4592 **(OPEN)**
- Color Guard – Kelly Barker – 713-416-4339

Janet's Comments:

- Any person willing and able to attend the mattress fundraiser zoom meeting please do so. It is on March 5 at 7:30 pm.
- Fundraiser is March 22
- We have yard signs and if you can take some home to put at your home or around your neighborhood, please do.
- Fundraisers benefit the entire program.

Flags

- John was not able to attend meeting, but he will be stepping down; Don Crosby will be taking over flags but would like to have another person to help.

- There is no longer a middle man and all proceeds from the flag fundraiser come back to the band entirely.
- Next distribution will be Memorial Day.

Membership – Jennifer Alford:

- Still working on pricing for band banquet tickets and should have information at next month's meeting.
- The theme for the banquet will be masquerade ball.

Equipment

- Celso will be taking over equipment lead next year.

Meals/Refreshments

- Melissa will be stepping down and we need a parent or several parents to take over this position and help feed our kids.

Uniforms

- Kerri is a senior parent and will be leaving – we need a parent or several parents that can help with uniforms next year.

New program to partner new incoming parents with veteran parents next year similar to "big/little" like the band students do. Please sign up if you are interested.

Next month we will vote on board members; all positions are one-year terms and board members need to be re-elected yearly. Please send an email to board if you are interested in serving on the board next year in any position.

VIPS Appreciation Event – Wednesday April 30th at the Berry Center from 11:30 to 1:00pm. You must have logged at least one hour to be invited. It's a nice lunch and special entertainment from Cy Fair students to honor our volunteers.

SPRING TRIP to San Antonio – April 11, 2025 – April 13, 2025 – Sign Up has closed. Roommate selection has taken place. Please be current on your payments so to not risk losing your spot. Payments are made through TMF. Must be paid in full by March 11th.

TCGC Contest (SAT, MARCH 8th) – 3 Shifts for volunteers. Sign up for 1 or all 3. If working 2 shifts you will receive a meal ticket to use at the concession stand. If you are working all 3 shifts you will receive 2 meal tickets to use at the concession stand as a thank you. We are also stocking the Cypress Falls Band Pantry for the concession stand. Please sign up here.



Upcoming Events:

- March 5 (WED) – Mattress Fundraiser Parent Meeting 7:30-8pm via Zoom
- MARCH 8, (SAT) – TCGC Show Hosting – Volunteer Opportunities All Day
- MARCH 10 – 14 – Spring Break
- MARCH 18 (TUES) – Concert Bands Pre UIL @ Cy Falls
- MARCH 22 (SAT) – TCGC Area (Winter Guard) – Klein Collins High School
- MARCH 22 (SAT) – Mattress Fundraiser @ Cy Falls Commons – All Day
- MARCH 27 (THURS) – Send Off Concert @ Cy Falls Auditorium
- MARCH 29 (SAT) – TCGC Area (Percussion) @ Pasadena Memorial High School
- MARCH 22 (SAT) – TCGC State (Winter Guard) @ Reed Arena
- MARCH 31 & APRIL 1 & 2 (MON/TUES/WED) – UIL 6A Non-Varsity Band UIL @ VPAC
- APRIL 1, (TUES) – Band Booster Meeting, 7pm in Band Hall
- APRIL 2, (WED) – Winter Guard and Percussion Last Blast 7pm in the Gym
- APRIL 5, (SAT) – TCGC State (Percussion) @ Sam Houston State University

• Treasurer's Report: Tom Neihaus

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) **Over Night Lock In usually in Sept.**
 - Cy Falls Flags - **5 times a year**
 - Hosting Indoor Competitions- TCGC – **March 8, 2025 (Volunteers Needed)**
 - Festival at the Falls – **In May**
 - World's Finest Chocolate
 - Widdy Up – **Raised Close to \$20,000!!!**
 - Mattress Fundraiser – **March 22, 2025 (Volunteers Needed) (Zoom Meeting March 5)**
- Minor Fundraisers
 - Spirit Nights

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

Shadow – Don Crosby

- Remind 101 sign up: Text @cyfallsfl to 81010
- Flag distribution: **Next Flag Distribution will be for Memorial Day**
- **It's time to renew your flag subscription. \$50 for a 1 year subscription. Please tell your neighbors. Let's cover our entire attendance zone with a show of patriotism.**



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

- Rock-A-Thon
- Pink Out Game
- 8th Grade Game
- Senior Night
- Future Membership Events
 - Band Banquet – May 16th @ the Cy Hope Alamo

Equipment: Paul Hogue (email: equipment@cypressfallsband.org) **EQUIPMENT SPOT OPEN 2025-2026**

- Builds props, loads and unloads equipment and props for games and competitions
- Prop building
- Text Paul at 713-303-5054 if you have any questions
- Join Remind Group text @equip24 to 81010
- **Looking for an Equipment Crew Leader for 2025-2026 school year!**

Color Guard: Kelly Barker – 713-416-4339

- If you would like to volunteer to help with the color guard text Kelly.
 - **We need another chaperone at Winter Guard Competitions. Please help out Kelly.**

Percussion: Kerri Guitierrez (email: percussion@cypressfallsband.org) **PERCUSSION OPEN 2025-2026**

- If you would like to volunteer to help with percussion contact Kerri.
- **Looking for a Percussion helper for 2025-2026 school year!**

Meals / Refreshments: Melissa Tompkins **MEALS & REFRESHMENTS SPOT IS OPEN 2025-2026**

- 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 the most popular volunteer (the one that feeds them) for 2025-2026 school year!**

Uniforms: Kerri Guitierrez (email: uniforms@cypressfallsband.org) **UNIFORMS SPOT OPEN 2025-2026**

- **Looking for a volunteer or group of volunteers to manage uniforms for 2025-2026 school year!**
- Fitting, mending, cleaning all band uniforms
 - **Do you know how to hem? Could you take some pants and dresses home over Spring Break? The students need these concert uniforms by Pre UIL on March 18th**

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

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."

We are excited to announce a new initiative to welcome and support new parents in our band family:

- This program pairs experienced parents (BIGS) with new parents (LITTLES) to help them navigate the band program, answer questions and feel part of our amazing community.
- Whether it's understanding competition schedules, preparing for band camp or getting involved with fundraisers, this program ensures everyone has someone to lean on.
- We're looking for volunteer BIGS! If you are a veteran parent who's willing to share your experience, your knowledge would be valuable.
- Don't worry - this is a light commitment! You'll simply be a friendly resource for your LITTLE throughout the season.
- A sign up sheet will be making the rounds if you are interested.

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