



# CYPRESS FALLS BAND BOOSTERS

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## Booster Meeting Agenda

**May 6, 2025, 7:00 PM @ The Cypress Falls Band Hall  
(Normally the First Tuesday of Each Month, 7:00pm, Band Hall)**

**Directors Comments:** Ryan Mohnney – [ryan.mohnney@cfisd.net](mailto:ryan.mohnney@cfisd.net)

- Jose Funes – [jose.funes@cfisd.net](mailto:jose.funes@cfisd.net)
- Brandon Beck – [brandon.beck@cfisd.net](mailto:brandon.beck@cfisd.net)
- Lauren Hall – [lauren.hall@cfisd.net](mailto:lauren.hall@cfisd.net)

**7:10 pm Jennifer Alford motioned to open the meeting  
Gaby Torres seconded the motion**

### Director's Notes – Mr. Mohnney:

- Thank you for being here. This is the last meeting of the school year.
- School year is wrapping up – busy times.
- Thursday is the Spring Concert in the Commons. Starts at 6 pm until about 7:30 pm or so. It is the final performance of the year. Attire is nice clothing.
- The warm up and performance schedule has been sent out.
- Band Banquet ticket sales close this Friday – check or cash only; dinner, awards, senior recognitions and dance.
- Senior students can attend for free but still need to let director's know they are attending.
- Banquet is on May 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Next year's marching show is in the works.
- We are working with students to teach them how to establish a routine and/or schedule that works for them.
- Leadership auditions for section leaders and drum majors take place in the next weeks. Students sign a leadership agreement and are asked to prepare a resume.
- Auditions are on Monday – visual and playing; scale scores and etude scores also count.
- Scales taking place in class this week and etudes are after school next week.
- Plan to announce leadership results the day after band banquet.
- Next week the director's will be at middle schools to listen to all incoming band students.
- Physicals will take place at the school on May 20<sup>th</sup> and the cost is \$20.
- Each student needs a physical to participate in summer band.
- Kick Off Camp is on Memorial Day weekend – 9 am until 4 pm.

- Graduation band will include the top band and a few students from 4<sup>th</sup> period. They will perform at the graduation and will rehearse on the 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. Students will wear concert blacks for graduation.
- Please turn in paperwork to any director – a hard copy or via email is fine.
- Etudes schedule will come out next week.
- Color Guard has auditions tomorrow after school for returning and incoming.
- This weekend is solo and ensemble for Color Guard – Saturday 9 am until 10 am in the Aux Gym.
- Leadership and Kick Off is the same for winds and percussion.
- Drumline audition clinic today and auditions next Thursday.
- June 3 – 5 will be a Color Guard Camp at Cy Falls.

## **2024 - 2025 School Year Board Members**

- Board Members
  - President – Cindy Hogue - [board@cypressfallsband.org](mailto: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
- **2025 - 2026 School Year Board Members**
  - **Thank you, Cindy Hogue for your service**
  - **Jennifer Alford will be the new President**
  - **Welcome aboard Ryan Heath as VP of Membership**
  - **Tom Neihaus, Janet Cortes-Pena and Gaby Torres will remain in their positions.**

## **President's Report - Jennifer Alford:**

- **Band Banquet will be from 6 – 10 pm**
- **Flags need to be out by Sunday, May 25.**
- **Transportation costs from district have been reduced and band will only have 2 box trucks next year.**

## **Treasurer's Report - Tom Neihaus:**

- **Brought in \$18,401.83**
- **Spent \$12,439.11**
- **Next year's operating budget – expenses and expected fundraisers is \$207,386.**
- **Income saving about \$400 per person**
- **Fees for next year will be \$575 for returning students and \$675 for new members.**

- Committee Chairs – **2025-2026**
  - Chaperones – Gaby Torres – [chaperone@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:chaperone@cypressfallsband.org)
  - Shadow/Assistant – **(OPEN)**



- Merchandise – **(OPEN)** – [merchandise@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:merchandise@cypressfallsband.org)
  - Thank you, Jennifer Alford for your service
- Cy Falls Flags – Don Crosby – [cyfallsflags@gmail.com](mailto:cyfallsflags@gmail.com)
  - Thank you, John Tompkins for your service
  - Shadow/Assistant – **(OPEN)**
- Percussion – Jennifer Alford – [percussion@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:percussion@cypressfallsband.org)
  - Thank you, Kerri Guitierrez for your service
  - Shadow/Assistant – **(OPEN)**
- Uniforms – **(OPEN)** – [uniforms@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:uniforms@cypressfallsband.org)
  - Thank you, Kerri Guitierrez, for your service
  - Shadow/Assistant – **(OPEN)**
- Equipment – Celso Hernandez – [equipment@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:equipment@cypressfallsband.org)
  - Thank you, Paul Hogue for your service
- Meals/Drinks – Jennifer and Michael Bruner
  - Thank you, Melissa Tompkins for your service
- Color Guard – Kelly Barker – 713-416-4339
  - Shadow/Assistant – **(OPEN)**

**Spring Dinner Concert – We need donations for the meal, bake sale and volunteers to help set up, serve and clean up. Please see the band website to see how you can help.**



**Dinner Concert Sign Up**



**Band Banquet Wish List**

**Band Banquet – Deadline to buy tickets is Friday (\$35 check or cash to a director). Seniors attend free as a thank you for their dedication but still must RSVP to a director. Please take a look at the Amazon wish list and help make this event special for the kids.**

**6:00 – 6:30** – Guest Arrival & Check In. Photo Ops & Mingle Time. **6:30-7:15** Dinner.

**7:15 – 8:30** Awards & Senior Recognition. **8:30-10:00** – Dancing, Photo Booth and Dessert

### **Upcoming Events:**

- MAY 8 (THURS) – Spring Dinner Concert
- MAY 9 (FRI) – Deadline to Purchase Band Banquet Tickets
- MAY 9 (FRI) – Deadline to Apply for Band Scholarship
- MAY 12 (MON) – Leadership Auditions
- MAY 16 (FRI) – Band Banquet
- MAY 20 (TUES) – Student Physicals
- MAY 24 (SAT) – Kick off Camp 9am-4pm
- MAY 24 (SAT) – Flag Distribution 4-6pm
- MAY 26 (MON) – Memorial Day – No School
- MAY 29 (THURS) – Last Day of School
- MAY 31 (SAT) – Graduation
- MAY 31 (SAT) – Flag Return 4-6pm
- **Treasurer's Report: Tom Neihaus**

### **Committee Reports:**

**Merchandise:** **(OPEN)** (email: [merchandise@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:merchandise@cypressfallsband.org))

- **Looking for a person to order merchandise, sell at various band functions and take orders for personalized items. Most of this can be done at home. Help raise some money for the program and spread school spirit.**

**Fundraising:** Janet Cortez-Pena (email: [fundraising@cypressfallsband.org](mailto: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 – **Huge Success. Thank you!**
  - Festival at the Falls – **Raised \$10,000!!!!**
  - World's Finest Chocolate
  - Widdy Up – **Raised Close to \$20,000!!!**
  - Mattress Fundraiser – **Thank you to all those that volunteered!**
- Minor Fundraisers
  - Spirit Nights

**Cy Falls Flags:** Don Crosby (email: [cyfallsflags@gmail.com](mailto:cyfallsflags@gmail.com))

Shadow/Assistant – **OPEN**

- Remind 101 sign up: Text @cyfallsfl to 81010
- Flag distribution: **Next Flag Distribution will be for Memorial Day**
  - **Distribute after Kick Off Camp 4-6pm Saturday May 24<sup>th</sup>**
  - **Flag Return after Graduation 4-6pm Saturday May 31<sup>st</sup>**
- **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.**



**To purchase flag subscription**



**To volunteer for distribution**

**Membership:** Ryan Heath (email: [membership@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:membership@cypressfallsband.org))

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

**Equipment:** Celso Hernandez (email: [equipment@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:equipment@cypressfallsband.org))

Builds props, loads and unloads equipment and props for games and competitions

- See Celso for more information
- 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.
  - **Looking for a Color Guard helper for 2025-2026 school year!**
  - **Great job Color Guard on an awesome season!**



**Percussion:** Jennifer Alford (email: [percussion@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:percussion@cypressfallsband.org))

- If you would like to volunteer to help with percussion contact Jennifer
  - **Looking for a Percussion helper for 2025-2026 school year!**
  - **Great job Color Guard on an awesome season!**

**Meals / Refreshments:** Jennifer and Michael Bruner

- 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 Jennifer or Michael

**Uniforms: (OPEN)** (email: [uniforms@cypressfallsband.org](mailto:uniforms@cypressfallsband.org)) ***UNIFORMS SPOT OPEN 2025-2026***

- **Looking for a volunteer or group of volunteers to manage uniforms for 2025-2026 school year!**
- Organizes the fitting, mending and cleaning of all band uniforms with help of volunteers.

**Chaperone:** Gaby Torres (email: [chaperone@cypressfallsband.org](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:chaperone@cypressfallsband.org).*

**Information Resources to Stay in Contact with the Band:**

- Website: [www.cypressfallsband.org](http://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](mailto:board@cypressfallsband.org) or [fundraising@cypressfallsband.org](mailto: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.

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

