



CYPRESS FALLS BAND BOOSTERS

Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, September 2, 2025 – 7:00 PM Cypress Falls Band Hall

(Booster meetings are typically held the first Tuesday of each month)

Booster Meeting called to Order at 7:04 pm by Belen Medina and seconded by Ryan Heath

🎵 Director Comments

Band Directors:

- Ryan Mohney – ryan.mohney@cfisd.net
- Brandon Beck – brandon.beck@cfisd.net
- Jose Funes – jose.funes@cfisd.net
- Lauren Hall – lauren.hall@cfisd.net

If you are not receiving director emails, please contact Mr. Mohney.

Director's Notes – Read by Tom Niehaus

Director Notes – 9-2-25

Football Game (Last week)

We were very pleased with all the student's efforts. We thought things went smoothly logistically, they did a great job being a spirit and support organization for our school, and half-time went as expected. We have a lot of work to do on the show, but they are doing well.

This week's game

We have a game on Thursday at Klein Memorial Stadium. When we are in district, games start at 6 PM on Thursdays, but since we are visitors to this one, it's a 7 PM. At the end of the game, we will move extra quickly to get equipment returned and students dismissed.

In class on Friday will be a "dead day" for band class. This means it's more or less quiet hours. Students will be able to sleep, study, or complete other homework. If other teachers are okay with it and request them, we are happy to send students to other classes to complete work.

Rock-A-Thon (this Friday)

Our lock-in will be a lot of fun! Fundraising is going very well; this is the most we've raised ahead of time for this fundraiser in years. Thank you for everyone's effort! For the Lock-In – Students "move in" at 7 PM. They are welcome to bring furniture, air mattress, TVs, Game Systems, whatever they want to use throughout the night. There will be open gym at the end of the night.

Progress Reports

The first progress report is out. This one does not affect eligibility, but the next one will. You can login to Home Access Center to check grades and the current check. Eligibility will affect band on the next check. If a student is failing a non-waivable course, which is one that is "on-level" and not H, K, AP, or DC, they would become ineligible and will no longer be able to participate in marching band. The next report is on September 19 th. If the grade in band is low, it's most likely due to their pass off's not being complete. We started working on that music at the

beginning of summer band, so it has been some time. Students can play their music off for a leader or a director if they'd prefer.

Freaky Wednesday – Next Wednesday

At the end of next week's Wednesday rehearsal, we will commence our Freaky Wednesday activity. This involves students bringing a parent, older sibling or family member, or a teacher to learn how to march some of the show from this year. It's lasts about an hour, is a good experience to see what all the students are dealing it, and will be a good time for pictures outside. We'd love to have everyone watch the run through and then join your student to learn how we do what we do.

Contest Season

By the time we have our next booster meeting, we will be into contest season. All these contests are all-day events, and all are mandatory. They are the culmination of all the time, work, and effort that we've given to this project. Outside of medical or family emergencies, there will be no excused absences. We will send out daily schedule information as we receive it. We generally get final schedules a month out but sometimes contests are tighter than that. We appreciate your understanding as we work to get this information out.

2025–2026 Band Booster Board Members

- **President:** Jennifer Alford – board@cypressfallsband.org
- **VP Fundraising:** Janet Cortes-Pena – janetcortes.pena@gmail.com
- **VP Membership:** Ryan Heath – ryan.h138@gmail.com
- **Treasurer:** Tom Niehaus – treasurer@cypressfallsband.org
- **Secretary:** Gaby Torres – gabypenatorres@gmail.com

Meeting minutes are posted on the band website: www.cypressfallsband.org

President Comments:

If anyone is interested in helping let us know. Payment schedule for band fees is listed on the agenda. If anyone needs a assistance with payment schedule, please reach out to Treasurer or Board President. Upcoming events are also listed in this agenda.

Treasurer's Report:

Brought in \$26,140.55

Spent \$21,559.04

Fundraising Comments:

Please share Vertical Raise fundraising link. We have another 10 days. Fundraisers benefit the entire band and in part help lower band fees for everyone.

Membership Comments:

Rock-a-thon is Friday. Raffle items are coming in and everything looks great. We still need a few items on the donation sign up. Please bring perishable items the day of event. We will need griddles to make pancakes if anyone that is volunteering has one, please bring it.

👥 Committee Chairs

- **Chaperones – Gaby Torres**
chaperone@cypressfallsband.org • 713-419-4810
- **Color Guard – Kelly Barker (Shadow)**
kbarker710@gmail.com • 713-416-4339
- **Percussion – Jennifer Alford (Shadow-Ryan Heath)**
jdalford@gmail.com • 832-524-4201
- **Meals – Jennifer & Mike Bruner**
mrs.jenniferbruner@gmail.com • 936-371-9593
- **Merchandise – Ginger Garcia**
merchandise@cypressfallsband.org
- **Flags – Don Crosby**
cyfallsflags@gmail.com • 281-467-1219
- **Equipment – Celso Hernandez (Shadow)**
equipment@cypressfallsband.org • 832-752-4694
- **Uniforms – Shaye Jones**
schnadajones@gmail.com • 832-839-1664

Several committees need shadows or assistants. Please reach out if interested!

Percussion:

There is a meeting regarding indoor that will be happening soon. Possibly end of September. There may be props for indoor this year.

Meals:

We need help feeding the students before the games. Food service arrives around 3:45 or so. Also, please consider donating sodas, waters, chips, etc to keep our pantry stocked. You can leave any donations in the booster room.

Merchandise:

Pre-orders are due September 12 then the order will be sent in and it will be about 10 days before merchandise is received.

Flags:

We have about 560 flags out which brings in about \$28,000 in fundraising. Renewal process will be automatic next year – customers will need to opt out of subscriptions.

Equipment:

We don't have anything to build but may need to modify a little to make sure stages are flat on top. Will need to weld some latches. Vinyl has arrived and it is already cut to size of stage – just needs to be affixed to the stages.

Uniforms:

Thank you to everyone that has volunteered and helped with uniforms. We have about 65 students left that need to be fitted. Please volunteer and help with fittings and when it is time to wash uniforms. I would like to have a parent for each section that can take care of uniform needs. All pieces of uniforms will have student's names and even the jug holder will have the name. We will be doing some uniform labeling during Rock-a-thon if anyone can help.

Chaperones:

Thank you to all who have volunteered. Please make sure you are registered with the district if you plan to volunteer.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm – Tammy S. motioned for meeting to end and Ginger seconded the motion.

Stay Connected – Remind Groups

- **Winds:** Text @cfgembw25 to 81010
- **Percussion:** Text @2025cfperc to 81010
- **Parents:** Text @fallsbandp to 81010

2025–2026 Payment Schedule

Payments may be made via **Cut Time**, or by cash/check payable to **CFBB**.
If you need a payment plan, contact Mr. Mohney or Treasurer Tom Niehaus.

Due Date	Returning Members	New Members
June 15, 2025	\$100.00	\$100.00
July 15, 2025	\$200.00	\$200.00
August 15, 2025	\$200.00	\$200.00
September 15, 2025	\$ 75.00	\$175.00

Upcoming Events

- Sept 4 (Thurs): Football Game @ Klein Oak, 7 PM – *Volunteers Needed*
- Sept 5 (Fri): Rock-A-Thon – *Volunteers Needed*
- Sept 10 (Wed): Freaky Wednesday for Families
- Sept 11 (Thurs): Football Game vs. Clear Falls @ Pridgeon, 7 PM – *Volunteers Needed*
- Sept 13 (Sat): Return Flags
- Sept 26 (Fri): Football Game vs. Memorial @ Pridgeon 6:30 PM – *Volunteers Needed*
- Sept 27 (Sat): BOA Shenandoah Marching Contest @ Woodforest Bank Stadium – *Volunteers Needed*
- Oct 1 (Wed): Stadium Rehearsal
- Oct 3 (Fri): 8th Grade Night & Pink Out Game, Football Game vs. Cypress Creek @ Berry Center 7 PM – *Volunteers Needed*
- Oct 7 (Tues): Booster Meeting, 7 PM
- Oct 9 (Thurs): Homecoming, Football Game vs. Northbrook @ Pridgeon, 6:30 PM – *Volunteers Needed*

Treasurer's Report – Tom Niehaus

Committee Updates

Merchandise – Ginger Garcia merchandise@cypressfallsband.org

- Pre-order shirts, Due by Sept 12th

- Visit www.cypressfallsband.org to view the store

Cy Falls Flags – Don Crosby cyfallsflags@gmail.com 281-467-1219

- Flag Return, September 13th
- Remind: Text @cyfallsfl to 81010
- \$50/year subscription
- Help us cover the community in flags!

Fundraising – Janet Cortes-Pena janetcortes.pena@gmail.com

- **Kroger Rewards: FREE MONEY!** If you have a KROGER CARD, link it to #82396 at www.kroger.com/i/community/community-rewards
- **Sponsorships:** Monetary or in-kind; see board or visit www.cypressfallsband.org
- **Major Fundraisers:**
 - Vertical Raise, vraise.org, share the link with family, friends, co-workers, etc...
 - Rock-a-Thon (Organized by Membership Committee) September 5th
 - Flag Program, 5 times a year
 - Backpack Drive
 - Hosting Indoor TCGC Competition
 - Festival at the Falls
 - Mattress Fundraiser
- **Minor Fundraisers:** Spirit Nights

Membership – Ryan Heath ryan.h138@gmail.com 832-528-4638

- **Rock-A-Thon:** Sept 5th Need chaperones and raffle donations (goal: 50 baskets)
 - Seniors – Salty snacks (individually packaged chips, pretzels, goldfish, etc.)
 - Juniors – Case of water
 - Sophomores – Case of soda (cans only, NO 2 liters)
 - Freshman – Desserts, sweet snacks or fruit
- **Upcoming Events:**
 - Pink Out Game (Oct 3rd)
 - 8th Grade Night (Oct 3rd)
 - Senior Night (Nov 8th)
 - Band Banquet (TBD)
- **Parent Mentorship Program** (Big/Little)

Equipment – Celso Hernandez equipment@cypressfallsband.org 832-752-4694

- Build props, load and unload equipment and props for games and competitions.
- Help needed with cleaning up the tables, welding on the latches and applying new vinyl (TBD).

Color Guard – Kelly Barker kbarker710@gmail.com 713-416-4339

- Contact Kelly to support our talented team!

Percussion – Jennifer Alford jdalford@gmail.com 832-524-4201

- If you have any questions or would like to volunteer with Percussion, contact Jennifer.

Meals – Jennifer & Mike Bruner mrs.jenniferbruner@gmail.com 936-371-9593

- Sign up to help with meals on game days & competitions

- Donations needed: sodas, water, chips, cookies
- Looking for food sponsors
- Drop off donations during band hall hours or at meetings

Uniforms – Shaye Jones schnadajones@gmail.com 832-839-1664

- Help with fittings, washing, mending
- Uniforms washed every 2–3 wears (gentle, inside-out, Woolite provided)
- Measuring/fittings, September 5th, will take place during Rock-A-Thon, *Volunteers needed*.
- Proposed parent volunteers for each section mom/dad/guardian for uniform needs between games.

Chaperones – Gaby Torres chaperone@cypressfallsband.org 713-419-4810

- Sign-ups will be posted on the band website for volunteer opportunities for games, competitions and other events.
- Wear Cy Falls shirts when volunteering
- All chaperones must be an approved CFISD volunteer.

To register as a CFISD volunteer:

1. Visit: www.cfisd.net
2. Click "Community Involvement" → "Volunteer"
3. Create a Volunteer Portal Account
4. Send screenshot of your "My Profile" to chaperone@cypressfallsband.org

Chaperone Duties:

What do Chaperones do?

- Ride Buses
- Escort to restrooms
- Monitor stairs
- Fill water bottles
- Move props
- First Aid is needed at every game and contest

What is a Band Aid?

If you can't leave work early but want to chaperone, become a Band Aid.

Band Aids: Same duties as chaperones (except no riding the bus). Must purchase a ticket to the game.

If you are planning to Chaperone, please take a few minutes to read the Chaperone Guidelines so you know what to expect.

To access the Chaperone Guidelines online, visit www.cypressfallsband.org, click on "Parents," then "Our Band Boosters," and scroll down to "Chaperone Guidelines."



To support the band through item donations, visit:

<http://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1FL838WFU2Q1M>

Sponsorship Opportunities

Contact: board@cypressfallsband.org or fundraising@cypressfallsband.org

If you or someone you know is interested in supporting the band through a sponsorship, please reach out to a board member. Sponsorships can be monetary or provided in the form of supplies, food, or other items the band may need. More info: www.cypressfallsband.org under the "Sponsors" tab

