

Cinco Ranch High School Band

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2024-2025 Freshman

I would like to welcome everyone that has decided to be a part of the CRHS Cougar Band family for the 2024-2025 school year. We are preparing a very exciting show for next year and would like to get you started as early as possible so you can be ready for the fall. If you are undecided about being part of our family, I encourage you to try out all the activities we have before the school year starts to decide if this is for you.

The purpose of freshman marching camp is to briefly touch on all the skills you will need to be a member of the Cougar Band. If you learn the basics and then practice over the summer, you will be well prepared for the fall marching season.

We look forward to a very exciting upcoming year with over 250 members, an exciting new show, many new instruments and an awesome booster group that takes care of all of our needs.

Freshman Marching Camp is mandatory for all potential band members. Please notify me at rayhjones@katyisd.org or call me at the high school band hall (281) 237-5046 if you have any conflicts. It is very important that you communicate with me at all times about any questions or concerns.

- **Freshman Marching Camp** will be held May 15-16 from 6:00-8:00 PM. We will have a mandatory freshman parent meeting on Thursday, May 16 from 6:30-7:30 PM. One parent please attend so that we may answer any questions and introduce you to the wonderful world of high school band.

- **Bring a full jug of water (not a vending machine water bottle)**
- **Wear comfortable clothing, such as shorts and white or grey t-shirt.**
- **Please wear tennis shoes, NO SANDALS or open toed shoes!**
- **NO INSTRUMENT**
- **Parent meeting Thursday, May 16 6:30-7:30**
- **Drumline mini camps 5:00PM-6:30PM 4/24, 4/30, 5/7, 5/14, 5/17(videos due)**

- **Band placement auditions** for 2024-2025 will be a video submission **DUE April 12th**.

Submit videos here: <https://forms.gle/XvkTfD7tKBZ5TE8>



The audition will consist of:

- All woodwinds and Brass: A prepared etude (attached)
- Percussion music will come from Mr. Rivera.

- **Summer Marching Camp** see attached calendar.

Remember **Freshman Marching Camp** is mandatory in order to learn all marching fundamentals and meet your directors and student leaders.

All 9th grade KISD Band students will need a physical. This is the same physical form for KISD athletics so you will be able to take advantage of the screenings offered at a KISD campus. Physical screening at a KISD campus will cost \$25. Cinco Ranch HS, and many KISD campuses, will offer physical screening. KISD has not published the physical screening calendar yet, when it comes out I will get it to your JH band directors. You may use your family doctor for the physical but must use the KISD physical form. This physical must be completed by July 24, 2024.

For more information and to see what we are about you can check out our webpage at <https://cincoranchcougarband.com/>

We welcome you to our family.

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