

Welcome to the Grizzly Orchestra

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Meet Your Directors

Mrs. Cini



Mr. High



Goal For The Year:

*To foster an environment where
students love music and are
motivated to perform at their
personal best.*

Accomplishments

In 2022-25

As a member of the Grizzly Orchestra, you are a part of something great!

- ★ For 3 years in a row, 3 orchestras received sweepstakes at UIL, the highest rating!
- ★ For 3 years in a row, we took a full orchestra, made up of students from orchestra and band, to UIL contest and received sweepstakes! We are one of 2 CISD schools with a full orchestra
- ★ The Grand Oaks Full Orchestra also performed at the CWM Pavilion for the Holly Jolly Pops concert!
- ★ For 3 years, we had more than 10 students audition for and make the Region 9 orchestra!
- ★ For 2 years, we had a student make the Texas All-State orchestra, performing at the Texas Music Educators Association (TMEA).
- ★ Over the past 3 years, we had 50-70 students qualify for the State Solo & Ensemble Contest (TSSEC) each year, taking home 20-33 medals, more than any other Region 9 school!
- ★ Over the past 3 years, at TSSEC 5 students were awarded the Outstanding Musician Award, which is only given to 2% of participants!
- ★ We performed in Carnegie Hall in NYC and Meyerson Performance Hall in Dallas! This year we will perform at Universal Studios!
- ★ In 2025, the GO Full Orchestra ranked in the top 5 orchestras in the Texas South Zone!



It is an exciting time for us, and we cannot wait to share the 2025-26 school year with you.



Get Connected



Email: Lcini@conroeisd.net

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Conference: 8th period

Tutorial time:

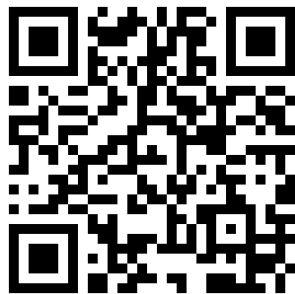
Tuesdays @ 2:45-3:30



COMMUNICATION

www.gohsorchestra.com

Everything you need to know about
the GOHS orchestra program



How we communicate.
Get the Spond app NOW!
Directions are on the website.



Upcoming Events



Sept 16 Opening Night/Ensemble Concert - 6:00 pm

Sept 29 Homecoming Parade

Oct 4 GO Hosts the Region orchestra auditions

Oct 22 Orctober Concert - 7:00 pm

Dec 4 Holly Jolly Pops at CWMP

Dec 9 Holiday Concert - 7:00 pm

For a complete list of events and rehearsals, visit www.gohsorchestra.com

Grades



Handbook/Acknowledgement signature - Major Grade - **Due 8/20**

Travel Card - Major Grade - **Due 8/20**

Supplies - at least 1 surprise supply check per grading period

Pass Offs and Playing tests

What does a “z” or an “x” in the gradebook mean?

“Z” - averaged in as a Zero, but can be turned in for a grade

“X” - student is exempt - does not affect student’s average

Everything you need to know can be found on the website or in the handbook.



Please support our
cell phone policy

Cell Phone Policy

Texas House Bill 1481 prohibits the use of electronic wireless devices during the school day.

From 7:15-2:35, students are not permitted to use cell phones. Per Orchestra policy, they are not permitted to use cell phones during after school rehearsals.

Cell phones are to remain in the student's backpack.

We have a ZERO tolerance cell phone policy. No warnings for cell phone violations.

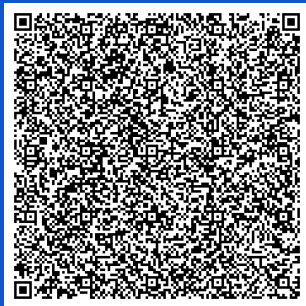
1st offense - Phone taken to an AP for the day, referral, and a phone call home.

Please support us!



ORCHESTRA

GRAND OAKS HIGH SCHOOL



Personal Tuner and Metronome

Supplies

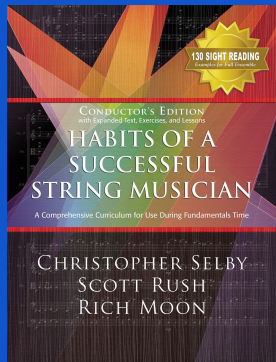


Personal Tuner

Chamber - Symphony - Philharmonic

Technique Book:

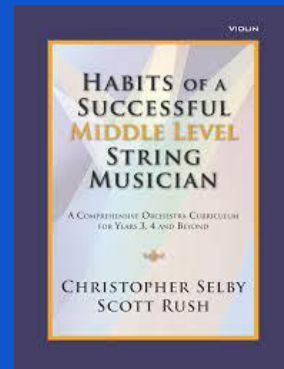
Habits of a Successful String Musician



Camerata

Technique Book:

Habits of a Successful Middle Level String Musician



Other Supplies:
1" Black Binder with 5 dividers
Pencil pouch with 2 pencils & 1 highlighter
Personal Tuner

Lessons and Fees



- ★ **Private Lessons** - an updated list will be posted on our orchestra website soon
- ★ **Activity Fee - \$175**
Covers music, orchestra t-shirt, uniform purchases and cleaning, clinicians, contest fees, solo & ensemble fees, office supplies, music supplies, and more
- ★ **Uniforms** - Checked out from the school. You return your uniform at the end of the year. I cover the dry cleaning.
- ★ **Instrument Maintenance Fee** - \$80 (for students using school instruments)

Orchestra Student Council



Helps with GO, York, Clark, and Cox Concerts,
Plans and runs social events,
Aids directors in planning and room management.



Vice President:

Jared Gonzalez



President:

Moises Granados



Publicity Officer:

Julia Varghese



Senior Advisor:

Alisa Prucella



Stage Crew Manager:

Christopher Glasco



Assistant Stage Crew Manager:

Shepard Conner



What is Orchestra Student Council?

Orchestra Student Council (Orch StuCo) is a group of student volunteers that organize and run orchestra related events. StuCo is very important because it is the backbone of the entire orchestra program. Every member is expected to be a role model for their peers and respectful to everyone.

What Are The Benefits Of Orch StuCo?

Orch StuCo can provide numerous benefits to your child. It can open up your child to a network of people inside and outside of orchestra. They can additionally get the following benefits below:

- Interacting with local feeder zone schools
- Earning volunteer hours*
- Gaining early access to upcoming events
- Making decisions for events and socials on behalf of the entire program*

Volunteer Hours

We will help out with orchestra related events for feeder schools like Clark, Cox, and York. Your child can sign up to help with these optional events. Hours earned can be used to apply for various clubs.

For some events, your student is required to help. These events include the orchestra banquet (spring semester), region (fall semester), and stage set up/break down during our GOHS concerts.

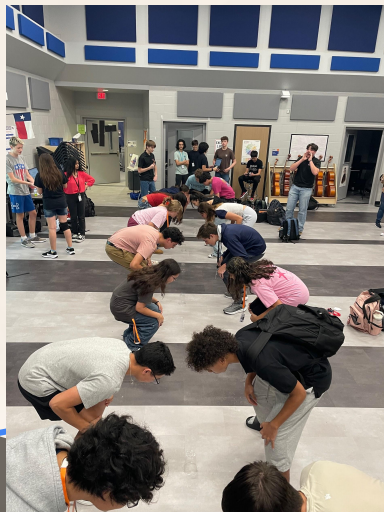
Making Early Decisions

Every meeting, we present a slideshow over any upcoming events that we need to plan for. We will make decisions on behalf of the whole orchestra.*

When it comes to socials, we plan the games, food, etc. Socials are events that ALL orchestra members can participate in. It allows for students to meet other orchestra members that they may not see in class.

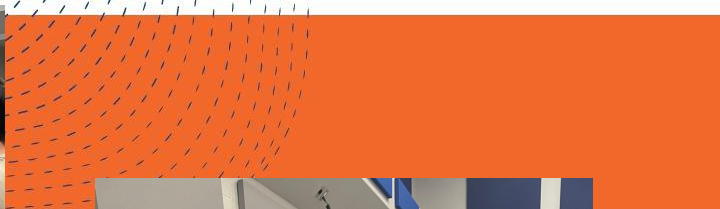
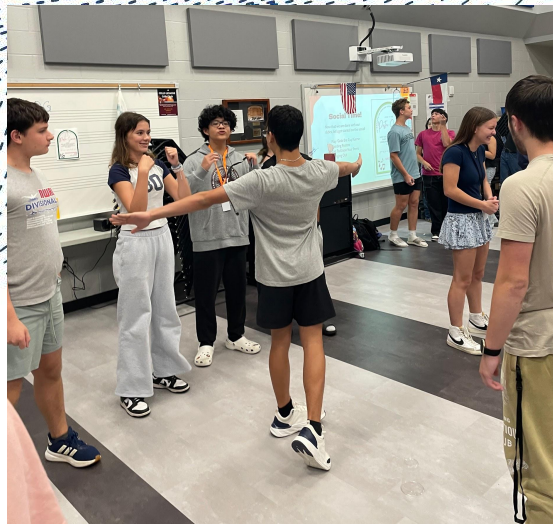
Most Recent Social!

On Monday we had our first Orch StuCo social! While most socials are for all orchestra members, there are extra socials that are only for members of Orchestra Student Council.









Additional Information

Orchestra Student Council will always have meetings after school on Mondays unless told otherwise! Meetings will typically end at 3:10-3:30, but will sometimes run longer.

Does anyone have any questions?



Booster Club

Help support our orchestra program!



A Huge Thank You to Our Student Volunteers for Making the Car Wash a Success!!

1 Shift

Cooper Dhekar
Jacqueline Hsich
Laura Rivera
Lori Whatley
Marissa Allum
Mathew Malone
Sebastian Fruge
Sofia Kharko

2 Shifts

Avary Erdies
Ayush Patel
Emmanuel Pinon
Hannah Aguilar
Isabella Stacy
Jaden Briley
Valeria Villarreal

3 Shifts

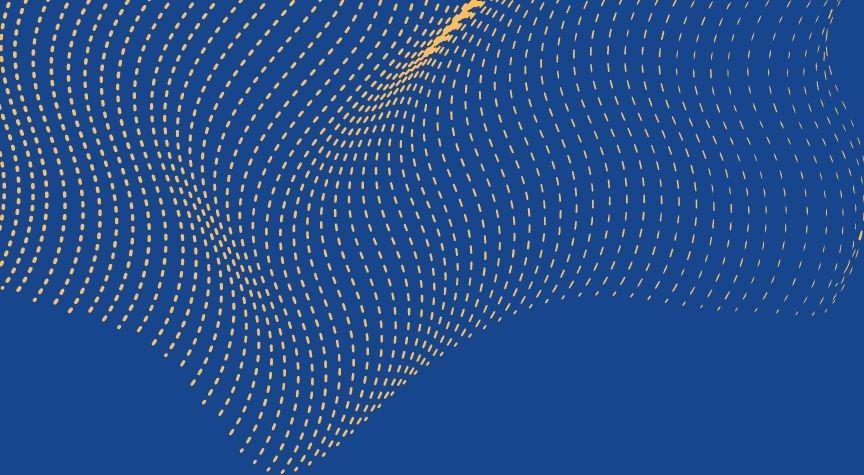
Daniel Rengel
Emma Panjavan
Jared Gonzalez
Kayla Isaacks
Lauryn McQuade
Maddie Crawley
Mariana Rengel
Moises Granados
Peyton Fernandez
Rocko Gomez
Zohra Noor



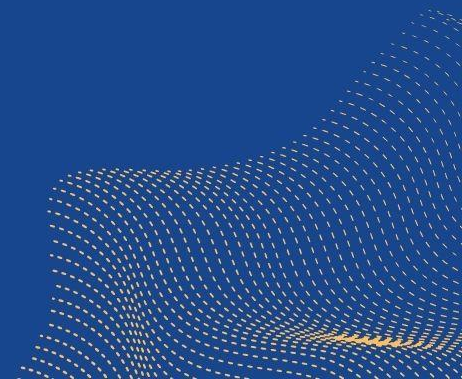
2025-2026 GOHS Booster Club Officers

- Lois McQuade - President
- Robert Weimer - Vice President Events
- Shanika Torres - Vice President Fundraising & Membership
- Tamara Mooney - Secretary & Communications
- Renata Kharko - Treasurer
- Lissette Fruge - Historian Events
- Dan Isaacks - Historian Concerts





I Remember When....



Purpose and Benefits of Booster Club

1. Promote fundraising opportunities to assist the Directors in maturing the GOHS Orchestra program. Fundraising efforts support the following:
 - Making major purchases (e.g., uniforms, lockers, etc.)
 - 2025 initiative: Replacing orchestra room and performance chairs.
 - Sponsoring student events/socials (e.g., Homecoming float decorations, catering of socials, etc.)
 - Sponsoring scholarships
 - Improving concert programs
2. Coordinate parent volunteers to support the students and Directors



Committee / Volunteer Opportunities

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Events/Socials• Fundraising• Homecoming Parade• Haunted Trails• IT/Website Maintenance | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scholarship Committee• Banquet Committee• Concert Programs• Instrument Transportation for Competitions |
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Upcoming Events



SPIRIT DAY
SEPTEMBER 3



4PM-8PM

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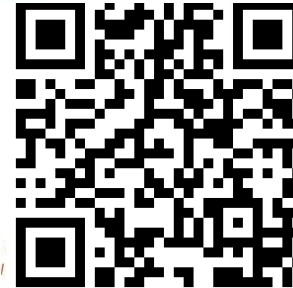
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light blue
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off white
cream

Link to Store will be posted on
Spond



How to Join Booster Club

Level 1 - \$40

includes membership + GOHS Orchestra Car Decal

Level 2 - \$60

includes Level 1 + GOHS Orchestra Yard Sign

Level 3 - \$100

includes Level 2 + Preferred Orchestra Concert Seating
(up to 5 seats per performance)



Scan to Join Now!



**GOHS
Orchestra**



spring trip 2026

Spring Trip

April 9-12, 2026

You don't want to miss this opportunity to perform in a live studio recording for a movie!

All students in all classes are invited to attend.

Information and registration is at
gohsorchestra.com

ABOUT OUR TRIP

Airlines: We fly out of IAH. Details on the flight and airline will be available once we book the flight.

Lodging: We are staying at Universal's Cabana Bay Beach Resort. Students stay 4 per room, with some variation due to an odd number of students.

Instruments: Violins and Violas bring their own instrument on the plane as their carry on luggage. Cello and Basses are rented from a nearby shop and included in the cost of the trip.



Trip Activities

An itinerary will be available a few weeks prior to the trip

Scheduled activities include:

1. **Universal's Sound Design Workshop:** Music and the Art of Foley Workshop for Orchestras – Your students will experience life as working movie musicians, syncing music – including Foley and digital sound effects – to real movie scenes. We will get a recording of us playing the background music for a real movie!
2. 4-Day theme park passes to Universal Studios, Epic Universe, and Islands of Adventure
3. NASA Kennedy Space Center
4. Universal's City Walk
5. Dinner at the Hard Rock Café



Student Trip Payments

All Trip payments are made in your student's school cash account

Total cost of the trip for students is \$1,995

\$150 non-refundable deposit + \$185 trip payment is due by 9/5/25

October 5th \$332

January 5th \$332

November 5th \$332

February 5th \$332

December 5th \$332

The refund policy is available on the Spring Trip Info Page



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**THAT PERSON WHO KEEPS PLAYING
OUT OF TUNE**



**AFTER THE DIRECTOR CUTS
EVERYONE OFF**

When your orchestra director says "last
time from letter A" for the 237th time



- I can't. Not again.



- I'm not... strong enough.

**IF YOU EVER FEEL BAD ABOUT
PROCRASTINATING**



**JUST REMEMBER THAT MOZART WROTE
THE OVERTURE TO DON GIOVANNI THE
MORNING IT PREMIERED**