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PRELIMS SCHEDULE

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LIVE SCHEDULE AVAILABLE AT [2026 VRMF SCHEDULE](#)

9:15 am	Florence High School	3A
9:30 am	Weiss High School	5A
9:45 am	Leander High School	6A
10:00 am	Anderson High School	5A
10:15 am	Lockhart High School	5A
10:30 am	JUDGE BREAK	
10:45 am	Williams J. Brennan High School	6A
11:00 am	Shoemaker High School	5A
11:15 am	Hendrickson High School	5A
11:30 am	Cedar Park High School	6A
11:45 am	JUDGE BREAK	
12:45 pm	Belton High School *Updated*	5A
1:00 pm	Hutto High School	6A
1:15 pm	Tom Glenn High School	5A
1:30 pm	John Paul Stevens High School	6A
1:45 pm	College Station High School	5A
2:00 pm	William H. Taft High School	6A
2:15 pm	JUDGE BREAK	
2:30 pm	A&M Consolidated High School	5A
2:45 pm	Wharton High School	3A
3:00 pm	Rouse High School	6A
3:15 pm	Lake Belton High School	6A
3:30 pm	Liberty Hill High School	5A
3:45 pm	Prelims Competition Concludes	
4:00 pm	Prelim Awards & Finalist Announcement	
6:45 pm	Exhibition: Class Champion (if needed)	
7:00 pm	Exhibition: Vista Ridge High School Ranger Band	
7:15 pm	Finals Competition Begins	
8:15 pm	JUDGE BREAK	
8:30 pm	Finals Resumes	
9:45 pm	Finals Concludes	
10:00 pm	Finalist Awards Presentation	



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WELCOME FROM OUR DIRECTOR OF BANDS

Welcome to Gupton Stadium and the **15th Annual Vista Ridge Marching Festival!**

On behalf of Vista Ridge High School, our students, staff, and community, thank you for bringing your program to this year's festival. We are honored to welcome you and your students and deeply appreciate the time, dedication, and commitment required to prepare a marching ensemble for performance.

As directors, you know the countless hours of planning, teaching, rehearsing, and problem-solving that happen behind every performance. While much of that work may go unseen, its impact reaches far beyond the field. Through marching band, you provide students with opportunities to develop musicianship, discipline, creativity, teamwork, and a lasting appreciation for the performing arts.

Today is a celebration of that work. While competition is certainly part of the experience, we hope this festival also provides an opportunity to celebrate your students, your staff, and the many people who support your program throughout the season.

Thank you for being part of the 15th Annual Vista Ridge Marching Festival. We are grateful for your participation and wish you and your students a rewarding performance and continued success throughout the season!

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2026 JUDGING PANEL



Stephen Meyer

Stephen Meyer is currently the Director of Bands and Associate Professor of Music at Northern Arizona University. He is also the music director for The Tempe Winds and on the conducting staff for the Phoenix Youth Symphony Orchestras. While at NAU, the Wind Symphony has been twice invited to perform at the College Band Directors National Association Regional Conference, and the Lumberjack Marching Band performed at the 2025 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. Meyer previously served on the faculties of the Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam and the University of South Carolina. During his tenure as Director of Bands at Clear Creek High School,

the Clear Creek Wind Ensemble was a featured performer at The Midwest Clinic (2013), a three-time National Winner in the National Wind Band Honors project, and a two-time national finalist for The American Prize in Wind Ensemble Performance. Before Clear Creek, Meyer taught at Harrison High School in Cobb County, Georgia, where he assisted with performances at The Midwest Clinic (2007), the Georgia Music Educators Association conference, and the University of Georgia. With Meyer as co-director of the marching band, the ensemble was a consistent Bands of America Regional and Super Regional Finalist, a BOA Grand National Finalist in 2007, and invited to perform at the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in 2009. Meyer graduated magna cum laude from the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music with a bachelor's degree in music education. He earned a master's degree in music education and a doctorate in wind band conducting from the University of Michigan. Meyer is the author of *Rehearsing the High School Band*, volumes 1 and 2, *Rehearsing the Middle School Band*, and *Rehearsing the Marching Band*.



Dr. T. André Feagin

Dr. T. André Feagin serves as Director of Bands and Wind Ensembles and Associate Professor of Conducting at The Hartt School, University of Hartford. He provides artistic, administrative, and organizational leadership for the conservatory's band program and serves as conductor and artistic director of the Hartt Wind Ensemble, the premier wind ensemble of the conservatory. In addition, he coordinates the graduate wind band conducting area, mentoring master's and doctoral students in wind conducting. Dr. Feagin also serves as the conductor of the Greater Hartford Youth Wind Ensemble through The Hartt School Community Division, where he works with

talented young musicians from across the region in pursuit of artistic and musical excellence. Dr. Feagin has appeared as a guest conductor with numerous all-state and honor bands, as well as professional ensembles throughout the United States, Canada, Central and Southwest Europe, and Southeast Asia. His work as a conductor, educator, and advocate for music education has led to invitations to conduct at Carnegie Hall, The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, and The Midwest International Band and Orchestra Clinic. He has also collaborated with premier military ensembles, including the United States Air Force Band of Mid-America, the United States Military Academy Band (West Point), "The President's Own" United States Marine Band, and the United States Coast Guard Band. Dr. Feagin brings more than two decades of experience in the marching arts as a performer, designer, arranger, educator, and adjudicator. As a performing member, he served four years as conductor of the Phantom Regiment Drum and Bugle Corps where he was honored with the Drum Corps International Jim Jones Leadership Award (2000). He has served in leadership roles as Brass Caption Head for the Santa Clara Vanguard, The Academy, and the Memphis Sound Drum and Bugle Corps, and has been a member of the brass instructional staffs of the Boston Crusaders and Carolina Crown. From 2009–2018, Dr. Feagin served on the staff of the United States Army All-American Marching Band and was appointed Director of the ensemble in 2011, 2013, and 2018. As an adjudicator, he has evaluated many of the nation's premier marching arts organizations, including Bands of America and Winter Guard International.

2026 JUDGING PANEL



Rick Rodriguez

Rick Rodriguez is currently the percussion director and Associate band director at Cedar Ridge High School, Round Rock TX. Rick has been the director of the Cedar Ridge Symphonic Band and is currently assisting all of the Cedar Ridge Concert Bands and the Cedar Ridge Wind Ensemble. He is also the primary director of the Cedar Ridge Jazz Ensemble and the Cedar Ridge percussion program. Mr Rodriguez and his ensembles have been fortunate to have several appearances at the Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic held annually in Chicago IL.

Mr Rod is also a busy and active percussion arranger and versatile clinician. In his younger days, Rick was the “center snare” of the infamous University of North TX PASIC Drum Line where he earned his bachelor’s degree. Rick was also a snare drummer for the Concord Blue Devils. Rick has been a staff member of the Blue Devils, Phantom Regiment, Blue Knights and is currently with The Cavaliers Drum and Bugle Corps. He has also been on the adjudicating staff of Drum Corps International (DCI), Bands of America (BOA) and is currently on the WGI judging panel. Mr. Rodriguez is endorsed by the Zildjian Cym Co., Innovative Percussion, and Evans Drum Heads.



Matt Hartwell

Matt Hartwell (Claremont, California) is a full-time visual designer, educator, and adjudicator. Hartwell has marched with The Cavaliers Drum and Bugle Corps (2005, 2006, 2007, and 2008) and Aimachi Marching Band (2007). He taught at the Santa Clara Vanguard from 2010-2021, serving as the Visual Caption Head from 2017-2021. In 2022, Hartwell taught both The Blue Devils and The Bluecoats. He currently serves as the Visual Caption Head at The Phantom Regiment Drum and Bugle Corps. Hartwell taught George Mason University Indoor Percussion from 2010-2013 and has held the title of Visual Caption Head and Staff Coordinator for Pulse Percussion since 2017.



Taylor Smith

Taylor Smith is currently a freelance educator (private lessons, masterclasses, clinics) in Houston, TX. In 2009, he graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a Bachelor of Music Education degree. Taylor has been active in Drum Corps International as a previous performer with Carolina Crown and as a brass staff member of Troopers, Cavaliers, and Carolina Crown helping them achieve 4 Jim Ott High Brass Awards and the 2013 DCI World Championship. Since 2020, he has been a part of the Brass Staff of the Santa Clara Vanguard and currently is the Brass Caption Manager.

Prior to being a freelance educator, Taylor taught in Sapulpa, OK; Austin, TX; Sugar Land, TX; Richmond, TX; and most recently taught at Pearland Junior High West in Pearland, TX during their performance at the Music For All National Concert Band Festival. His bands have previously earned first division ratings at the Texas University Interscholastic League Marching Band Evaluation and Concert and Sightreading Evaluation.

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Conrad Isenhour

Conrad Isenhour resides in Austin, Texas and works as a marching arts instructor, choreographer, visual designer, and adjudicator across the state and country. Conrad is the Visual Caption Manager, Ensemble Manager, and a choreographer for the Santa Clara Vanguard Drum & Bugle Corps. He also holds the positions of Visual Caption Manager, Rehearsal Coordinator, and Lead Choreographer for Rhythmic Force Percussion in Austin. Conrad has been a visual and brass instructor, a choreographer, and movement specialist for multiple high achieving marching band programs in Texas including Westlake HS, Cedar Ridge HS, and Vandegrift HS. He held a similar role for the Claudia Taylor "Lady Bird" Johnson High School Marching Band in San Antonio for more than a decade.

In his time at CTJ, the brand-new school bloomed into a BOA regional and super regional champion, a Grand National finalist and a UIL State medalist and champion. Conrad is proud to have been a staff member for 3 separate band programs who have each earned at least one UIL 6A State medal. Conrad's prior DCI teaching experience includes being the Visual Caption Manager and choreographer of The Crossmen Drum & Bugle Corps where he also previously taught brass, being a member of the Boston Crusaders visual staff and brass staff, the Blue Stars visual staff, and the Cadets visual staff where he led the movement and choreography program for the musicians. He was previously a member of the consistent WGI World Class Finalist Monarch Independent Percussion visual team where he coordinated the movement and choreography program and was a visual staff member for the WGI silver medalist Crossmen Winds. In 2023, Conrad had the honor of adjudicating the UIL Texas State Marching Band Contest. Conrad holds a Bachelor of Arts in English from The University of Texas at San Antonio where he also studied film, dance, and music. He is a co-creator of Marching Band Movement, an educational video course designed as a resource for teachers and students to be better trained in modern marching arts movement and dance. As a performer, Conrad spent his time marching baritone for The Crossmen and The Santa Clara Vanguard.



Patricia Beggy

Patricia Beggy has been an adjudicator in pageantry arts for over 35 years and has been a mainstay in the judging community often acting in the role of lead judge. She is accredited in and judges all visual captions for Marching Bands, Drum and Bugle Corps and Winter Color Guards. Ms. Beggy has taught, consulted and judged for Baton Twirling, Cheerleading, Drum and Bugle Corps, Marching Bands and Winter Color Guard. She spent many years teaching Scholastic A and Scholastic Open winter color guards, including several WGI finalists. In addition, her work as an instructor and staff member with Marching Bands proudly includes BOA finalists. She is very committed to judge education and works as a clinician for various judges' associations both nationally and internationally.

As a performer, Patricia Beggy began dancing, twirling and marching at the age of 6 and continued until she aged out at 21. Her first year in the pageantry activity ended with winning an American Legion State Championship in twirling, and her last year ended with winning a American Legion State Championships in Drum Corps. She studied dance for over 15 years, including attending Dartford College of Movement Studies in England, and was a company member of The Performance Dance Ensemble. Outside of judging, Ms. Beggy highly values giving back to the community and volunteers for many non-profit organizations. In the past, she has served on the Massachusetts Judges Association Board of Directors and for 10 years was on the Board of Directors for the non-profit CitySprouts.org, receiving their Community and Environmental Impact Award for her service. She has traveled extensively throughout the world expanding her knowledge and love for different cultures, world history, music, art and food. She holds Masters Degrees in both Education and Administration and recently retired from the position of Elementary School Principal from the Cambridge Public Schools, in Cambridge MA, USA.

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FESTIVAL FORMAT

PERFORMANCE

15-minutes total time (field warm-up, performance, off the field)

45-minute warm-up/20-minute transition time

JUDGING FORMAT

Music: 4 Judges (Ensemble, Individual, 2 General Effect)

Visual: 3 Judges (Ensemble, Individual, 1 General Effect)

General Effect and Ensemble Judges will be at Press Box level

Individual Judges will be at Field level

Judges will change caption assignments between Prelims and Finals

PRELIMS AWARDS

Caption awards by Class (Music, Visual, and General Effect)

Placement awards by class in Prelims

FINALS FORMAT & AWARDS

Best in Class groups not in Top Ten will have the option to perform in exhibition at the beginning of Finals.

1st-10th place awards for Finals regardless of Class

Finals performance order will be determined by a draw.

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Pizza by the Slice	\$4.00
<i>Cheese or Pepperoni</i>	
Double Dave's Pepperoni Roll	\$3.00
Bush's Chicken Tender Rolls (2 pk)	\$5.00
Chopped Beef Sandwich	\$5.00
Frito Pie	\$5.00
Sausage Wrap	\$5.00
Hot Dog <i>(Plain)</i>	\$3.00
Loaded Hot Dog <i>(Chili and/or Cheese)</i>	\$5.00
Nachos <i>(Chips & Cheese)</i>	\$4.00
Super Nachos <i>(Chili, Cheese and Jalapeños)</i>	\$5.00

SNACKS & SWEETS

Candy & Chocolate Bars	\$2.00
Cookies	\$2.00
Cotton Candy	\$3.00
DQ Blizzard <i>(M&M or Oreo)</i>	\$5.00
Assorted Chips	\$2.00
SkinnyPop Popcorn	\$2.00
Pickle	\$2.00
Fresh Fruit	\$1.00
<i>(Apple, Orange, or Banana)</i>	

DRINKS

Bottled Water (16.9 oz)	\$3.00	Bush's Tea (32 oz)	\$3.00
Soda (16 oz)		<i>Sweet or Unsweet</i>	
<i>Coke, Diet Coke, Coke Zero, Sprite, Dr. Pepper, Diet Dr. Pepper, Dr. Pepper Zero</i>		Cup of ice	\$2.00
Gatorade Bottle (20 oz)		Coffee (10 oz)	\$2.00
		Hot Chocolate (10 oz)	\$2.00

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3A

FLORENCE HIGH SCHOOL

“I BELIEVE”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors:

Sebastian Gomez and Tatum Lincoln

Music Features Include:

- “Air” by Johann Sebastian Bach
- “You Say” Lauren Daigle
- “Cello Suite No. 1” by Johann Sebastian Bach
- “When You Believe” by Stephen Schwartz
- “This is Me” from The Greatest Showman



The Florence High School Band is under the direction of: Dr. Peter Acosta, Mrs. Alexis Davis-Mikat, Nathan Litton, Reagan Cottle, & Ali Acosta

The Florence band is a consistent UIL Sweepstakes Award winning band and advanced to the UIL Area D Finals for the first time in school history where they placed 10th. The Florence band advanced to the State Finals in the 2024 TMEA 3A Honor process and this past year the Florence band was a State runner-up in the All Texas Small School Band Outstanding Performance Series for the performance of one of their concert pieces.

The Florence band would like to thank the Florence ISD administration, faculty and volunteers for their unwavering support. The Buffalo Band would also like to thank the Florence Band Booster for everything they provide for the Florence Band.

3A

WHARTON HIGH SCHOOL “THE UNCANNY TALE OF RED”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors:

Alvaro Gonzalez, Clayton McKelvy, & Larseen Thompson

Music Features Include:

- “Nature Boy” by Aurora
- “Caves” by Cody Fry
- “Night on Bald Mountain” by Mussorgsky
- “Human” by Christina Perri
- “Scott Surfs on Ants” by Christopher Beck
- “Dies Irae” by Verdi



The Wharton High School Band is under the direction of:

Dr. Ron Espinoza, Johnnie Hower, Roy Garza, & Tiffany Alameda

The Wharton Marching Band is a consistent USBands Class Champion and finalist, and BOA Class Champion.

Thank you to the support of the Wharton Performing Arts Booster Club, Wharton Volunteer Fire Department, and Constellation for their support and sponsorship to the program.

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5A

A&M CONSOLIDATED HIGH SCHOOL “VIBES & VARIATIONS”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors:

Taylor Rutledge, Makenna Ross, Aniyah Calderon, & Izzy Hernandez

Music Features Include:

- Enigma Variations
- Dream State
- Agape
- Physical



The A&M Consolidated High School Band is under the direction of:

Steve Fry, James Benton, Cole Crofton, Ava Ahmadi, & Alex DeWald

The A&M Consolidated High School Band Program has a proud tradition of excellence, helping students grow individually through their instruments and performances. The Tiger Marching Band consistently earns Superior Ratings at UIL Region and Area contests. In 2021, the band advanced to the UIL State Marching Contest for the first time in school history. In 2023, the Tiger Band was named Grand Champion at the UIL Area I Contest. In 2025, the Tiger Band earned its fourth State appearance in five years.

For the past four years, the Tiger Band has also competed in the Bands of America circuit, placing among the Top 50 at the prestigious San Antonio Super Regional. In 2025, the Tiger Band placed 3rd in their class at the 2025 Bands of America Shenandoah Regional. In 2024, the Tiger Band placed 11th at the San Marcos Regional. The concert bands have earned Superior Ratings consistently for more than forty years. In 2024, the Wind Ensemble placed first at the TMEA Area D Listening, advancing to the TMEA State Finals.

Both the Winter Guard and Indoor Percussion programs perform at a highly competitive level. In 2022, the Indoor Percussion group finished fourth at the TCGC State Competition, and in 2023 and 2024, the Winter Guard advanced to the TCGC State Championships. In 2025, the Varsity Guard was promoted to National A Class and placed 9th at the TCGC State Championships.

The program also emphasizes individual growth. Students regularly audition for TMEA Region, Area, and All-State Bands, and the Tiger Band has a long history of All-State placements. In addition, winds, percussion, and color guard members perform solos and participate in ensemble activities to further develop their skills.

The Tiger Band would like to Thank their Booster Parents for all their support and tireless efforts through the season.

The A&M Consolidated Band is more than a music program—it is a tradition of achievement, dedication, and Tiger Pride.

5A

ANDERSON HIGH SCHOOL “ECHOS IN ETERNITY”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors:

Ziv Sidel, Caroline Harris, & Adrian Camacho

Music Features Include:

- The Battle - Zimmer
- Scythian Suite - Prokofiev
- On the Nature of Daylight - Richter
- Vesuvius - Ticheli



**ANDERSON
HIGH SCHOOL**

AUSTIN Independent School District

The Anderson High School Band is under the direction of:

Frank Nedley, Calvin Householder, Hunter Smith, Chad Wood,
& Sophie Thomason

Last year the Trojan Band participated at the UIL 5A State Marching Contest for the first time since 2010. Thank you to the Anderson Band Booster Association for all you do to help us succeed!



5A

BELTON HIGH SCHOOL “PATH TO THE SUMMIT”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors:

Jamie Martins, Abigail Chapman, Lucie McRae, & Annabelle Morehouse

Music Features Include:

- Red Rock Mountain - Rossano Galante
- Night on Bald Mountain - Modest Mussorgsky
- The Climb - Miley Cyrus



The Belton High School Band is under the direction of:

Kevin Kwaku, Chris Kreger, Ian Smith, & Leigha Carlisle

Field Assistants are Benny Guerrero, Abigale Henderson and Damien Swift. Percussion assistant is Jackson Holt. Guard assistant is Marissa Sanchez.

The Belton Marching 100 is a consistent UIL Region Division 1 recipient and Area D 5A qualifier.

5A

COLLEGE STATION HIGH SCHOOL “RISE AND GRIND!”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors: Addison Pustejovsky, Mark Cunningham, Lydia Bentley, & Zhawna Pierce

Music Features Include:

- “Peer Gynt Suite” by Edvard Grieg
- “Un Cafecito” by Dennis Llinas
- “The Coffee Song” by Frank Sinatra
- “Black Coffee” by Ella Fitzgerald
- “Danza Final from Estancia” by Ginastera.



The College Station High School Band is under the direction of:
Jon Seale, Michael Dixon, Joseph Cohn, & Dominick Oliver

The Cougar Band is a consistent UIL Region Sweepstakes Award Winner, UIL Area Finalist and a 4 time UIL 5A State Marching Band Contest Participant!

The Cougar Band would like to show our appreciation for the support of our Director of Fine Arts- Mr. Eric Eaks, Fine Arts Administrative Assistant- Adrienne Watson, as well as our Cougar Band and Guard Sponsors, Boosters and Supporters!

5A

HENDRICKSON HIGH SCHOOL “THREAD OF FATE”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors:

Chloe Dixon, Jackson Williams, Nico Boling, & Leo Atkinson

Music Features Include:

- CAMBRIDGE, 1963
- THE ORIGINS OF TIME
- ROWING
- BEATS FOR DAYS MEGAMIX
- ROOT TO LEAF



The Hendrickson High School Band is under the direction of:

Dean Surface, Isaac Medina, Andrew Long, Nathan Zamora, & Tom Jackson

The Hawk Band would like to thank its administration and boosters – for without them, none of this would have been possible.

The Robert E. Hendrickson Band is a consistent UIL Sweepstakes recipient. They were the UIL Area D Champions and a performer in the 5A Texas State Marching Contest. The Hawk Band performed at Bands of America regional, super regional, and Grand Nationals events. In 2023, they were a Bands of America Grand National finalist, earning 9th overall.

The Hawk Band also performed at the Midwest Clinic in Chicago, the Western International Band Clinic in Seattle, and the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City. They were invited to perform at the Music for All National Band Festival in the spring of 2025.



5A

LIBERTY HILL HIGH SCHOOL “POP!”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors:

Edward Champion, Dalton Svatek, Charley Dieterich, & Leila McKnight

Music Features Include:

- Finding & Believing - Pat Metheny
- The Heat of the Day - Pat Metheny
- 715 CREEKS - Bon Iver
- Soda Pop - from KPop Demon Hunters



The Liberty Hill High School Band is under the direction of:

Joshua Muñoz, Justin Zimmerman, Ashlynn Turner, & Evan Turner

The Liberty Hill Panther Band is a consistent finalist, UIL Sweepstakes recipient, and State Marching Contest participant. In 2023 and 2025, the Liberty Hill Percussion Ensemble was invited to perform at the Music for All Sandy Feldstein Percussion Festival and in 2025, the Liberty Hill Wind Ensemble was also invited to perform at the Music for All National Concert Band Festival.

The Liberty Hill Panther Band & Guard would like to thank all of their supporters - Superintendent Travis Motal, Director of Fine Arts Chico Portillo, Principal Bryon Ellison, and of course, their amazing Band Boosters and Band community.

5A

LOCKHART HIGH SCHOOL “KEEPER OF DREAMS”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors:

Edith Zarate, Hailey Dittmar, Isaac Jacob, & Kenya Wright

Music Features Include:

- Mr. Sandman - The Chordettes
- Scythian Suite - Prokofiev
- Primacy of Number - Philip Glass
- Dream On - Aerosmith
- Requiem - Mozart
- Bring Me To Life - Evanescence

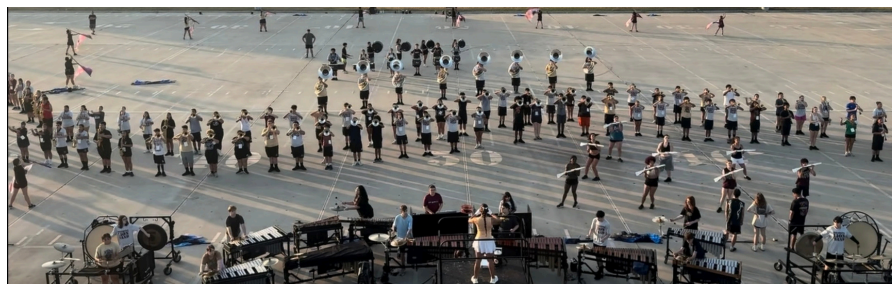


The Lockhart High School Band is under the direction of:

Peyton Grover, Joseph Gannon, Jared Autrey, & Sergio Rodriguez

The Roaring Lion Band and Color Guard is comprised of approximately 200 students. The Lockhart High School Band is a consistent recipient of the UIL Sweepstakes award, a Bands of America Regional Finalist, and a multi time TCGC State qualifier, and Regional WGI finalist. The Roaring Lion Band and Color Guard represents Lockhart's unwavering support for the fine arts at the highest level.

The Roaring Lion Band and Color Guard would like to thank our incredible parents and volunteers for their support in our programs endeavors of excellence. Additionally, we want to thank our Director of Fine Arts, James Crowley, and all of Lockhart ISD for supporting the fine arts and the Roaring Lion Band and Color Guard!



5A

SHOEMAKER HIGH SCHOOL “IN PIECES”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors:

Daveion Davis, Josiah Dudley, & Layla Llantada



Robert M. Shoemaker High School

The Shoemaker High School Band is under the direction of:

Sean Hill, Wesley Penny, Larenz Stweart, & Elizabeth Harp

The Wolf Pack Band would like to thank our boosters and our families for their continued support. We couldn't do this without you.

5A

TOM GLENN HIGH SCHOOL “GO WITH THE FLOW”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors:

Anelle Giron, Sophie Smith, & Aadithri Woodi

Music Features Include:

- “Auguries of Innocence” by William Pitts
- “Hyperlink” by Peter John Graham
- “Agape” by Nicholas Britell
- “Cogito” by Pascal Oliver Bideau



The Tom Glenn High School Band is under the direction of:

Matthew Garrison, Samantha Muckleroy, Daniel Wainright, Rick Scruggs, Kelly Mabry, & Lindy Hanson

The Glenn High School Band is a consistent UIL Sweepstakes recipient and UIL Area Marching Contest finalist. The band advanced to the UIL State Marching Band Contest in 2019, 2025, and 2026.

The Glenn Band would like to thank its design team—Reid Atkinson, Robert Selaiden, Andrew Ebert, KJ Stafford, and Tyler Edrington—along with the Glenn High School administration, Leander ISD Fine Arts, the Glenn Band Booster Club, and the many parent volunteers and families whose support makes this program possible.

5A

WEISS HIGH SCHOOL “BRUSHSTROKES”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors:

Sebastian Verduzco, Robert Martinez, Allison De La Cruz, & Celina Le

Music Features Include:

- Fugue in Fugue in g minor- Bach
- Overture to the Wasp- Tchaikovsky
- Into the Woods- Bon Iver
- Pictures at an Exhibition- Mussorgsky



The Weiss High School Band is under the direction of: Ian Young, Emely Chacon, Mason Clark, Hunter Langhans, & Landy Roberson

The Weiss high school band was named a 2025 TMEA Honor band State Semi Finalist, and a 2026 Area D Finalist.

We would like to thank you, Band Boosters, Fine Arts Administration and everyone in PFISD who helps advocate for the Arts!

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6A

CEDAR PARK HIGH SCHOOL “THE HEART WITHIN”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors: Kaiden Staples, Joshua Campos, Joseph Gaudreau, Hyerin Nah, & Haohan Zang

Music Features Include:

- Heart Shaped Box by Nirvana
- String Quartet No.4, Mvt.5
- Allegro Molto by Bela Bartok
- Adagietto from Symphony No. 5 by Gustav Mahler
- The End of Love by Florence & The Machine as done by the Nor'easters



The Cedar Park High School Band is under the direction of: Kendall Santos, Sam DiMatteo, Wes Booker, Roland Chavez, & Jordan Openshaw

The Cedar Park Timberwolf Marching Band is a 9 time, 7 time consecutive, and current reigning UIL 5A State Marching Band Champion. In addition, the Timberwolf Band is a perennial BOA Regional and Super Regional Finalist. Cedar Park is a 3 time BOA Grand Nationals Finalist, and was most recently named a Sudler Shield award recipient in 2025. The Cedar Park Timberwolf Band was named the 2014 TMEA Honor Band under the direction of Mr. Steve Wessels.



6A

HUTTO HIGH SCHOOL “PROCEED WITH CAUTION”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors: Lyndee Brown, Jheremy Dinopol, Elliott Larsen, Catherine Thornton, & Ava Zweirlein

Music Features Include:

- “Symphonic Movement” by Vaclav Nelhybel
- “The Way We Were” by Gladys Knight
- “Run Boy Run” by Woodkid
- “No Time For Caution” by Hans Zimmer



**HUTTO HIGH SCHOOL
MARCHING BAND
& COLOR GUARD**

The Hutto High School Band is under the direction of: Allen Campoy, Cordell Foulk, Madeline Kendall, Ryan Manders, & Kevin Monterio

The Hutto High School Band is comprised of 311 students across the marching band, 6 concert ensembles, Jazz Band and Color Guard program. The Hutto High School Marching Band & Color Guard was named a BOA Round Rock finalist in 2024, both a BOA Central Texas finalist and BOA Waco finalist, placed 3rd at the Vista Ridge Marching Festival, and was named the USBands Central Texas Champion in 2025. The JV-B Winter Guard earned 3rd place at the TCGC JV Regional A West AREA Championships in 2026. The JV-A Winter Guard earned back to back TCGC JV Regional A AREA West Championships in 2024 and 2025 with the Varsity Winter Guard placing 2nd in the 2024 TCGC State Scholastic A Championship, is a WGI Regional Finalist, and was a WGI World Championships attendee in 2025. In 2026 the Hutto High School Wind Ensemble, Wind Symphony and NGC Symphonic Band earned superior ratings at their UIL Concert & Sight Reading Evaluation.

The Hutto Band would like to say thank you to Hutto ISD, Director of Fine Arts Mr. Joseph Rush, Director of Athletics Mr. William Compton, Hutto High School administration, and the Hutto Band Boosters for all their continued support! You are greatly appreciated, and we could not do this without you! Lastly, a thank you to the Vista Ridge Ranger Band on all their efforts in preparing for today's VRMF!



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JOHN PAUL STEVENS HIGH SCHOOL “UNCHARTED”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors:

Lauren Bell, Daniel Puentes, Evelyn Crawford, & Jacob Garcia

Musical Selections By:

- Billie Eilish
- Philip Glass
- Christopher Nelson,
- Peter Graham



The Stevens High School Band is under the direction of: Adam Casiano, Ryan Williams, Emma Williams, John Brown, & Michael Cortes

The John Paul Stevens Falcon Band and Colorguard fields nearly 200 members that entertain audiences throughout the fall with its unique field productions. Over the years, The Falcon Marching Band has earned multiple honors including 7-time UIL Area Marching Contest Finalist titles along with finalist appearances in the Vista Ridge Marching Festival, USBands contests, and Texas Marching Classic. In addition to marching, the band has a thriving jazz program with over 80 students participating in 4 competing Jazz Ensembles. The Stevens Jazz Festival has grown into one of the largest Jazz Festivals in San Antonio, Texas, serving nearly 30 middle school and high school programs in the Greater San Antonio and Austin Areas with critique and performances from World-Class Jazz Musicians and Educators. Stevens High School is home to the largest Texas Future Music Educators Chapter in the State of Texas with 100 student members. The students of the Falcon Band are offered a well-rounded music education with 3 performing concert ensembles, instrumental ensemble, percussion ensemble, music theory, and jazz education.

The Falcon Guard has 2 competing winterguard units that perform in the Texas Color Guard Circuit. The JV Falcon Guard earned 3rd place in their respective class in the 2025 TCGC Championships. The Varsity Falcon Guard is a 5-time TCGC State Finalist. The Falcon Band and Colorguard program motto, “No Excuses, Just Results,” reflects a strongly disciplined culture that emphasizes respect, responsibility, and musical excellence.

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LAKE BELTON HIGH SCHOOL “SKYWORLD”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors:

William Graham, Andy Thomas, Micah Swift, & Selah McAfee

Music Features Include:

- Now We Are Free - Hans Zimmer
- Message for the Queen - Tyler Lee Bates
- Flameheart - Thomas Bergersen
- My Whole Life - Stefano Sacchi
- Age of Discovery - Yoav Goren



Lake Belton High School

The Lake Belton High School Band is under the direction of: Bobby Yerigan, Craig George, Jacob Guerrero, Grant Shane, & Jessie Arbolay

Established in the fall of 2020, the Lake Belton Stampede is consistent UIL sweepstakes award winners. The Stampede has made an appearance at the UIL State marching band contest in every year eligible. 2020 and 2021(State Finalist) in class 4A, 2023 and 2024 in class 5A. The Stampede has grown in membership each year starting with 85 in 2020, up to 265 in 2025

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LEANDER HIGH SCHOOL “TWISTED”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors:

Calen Stewart, Rithvik Akasam, Rebekah Smith, Ari Chun,
& Head Drum Major - Maria Lezcano

Music Features Include:

- TAXI DRIVER
- CAPE FEAR - PRELUDE
- TWISTED NERVE
- PRELUDE/OUTER SPACE/RADAR
- THE WILD RIDE (FROM 'NORTH BY NORTHWEST')
- LAURA
- PRELUDE FROM PSYCHO



The Leander High School Band is under the direction of: Allison Petro,
Daniel Reberger, Amanda Brigham, Michael Swiren, & Ryan Sirna

The Leander High School Band has received consistent UIL Sweepstakes awards since 1997. In 2015, 2021, and 2024 the Leander Band were the UIL State Marching Band Bronze Medalist. They are consistent BOA Grand National Finalists, most recently receiving 5th place in 2019 and 12th place in 2023. The Leander Band is a 10 time BOA San Antonio Super Regional Finalist with multiple 3A Championships. In 2021, the program was honored with the Sudler Shield and selected to perform at the Midwest Clinic International Band Conference.

Thank you to the entire Leander Band family! We are forever grateful to all of the students, parents, staff, design team, middle school students/staff, the LISD Fine Arts Team, campus administration, and district administration. We are blessed to be a part of a team of people that are so passionate and caring about this activity and our amazing students! Go Lions!!

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ROUSE HIGH SCHOOL “OUT OF PRINT”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors:

Sophia Franklin, Celeste Song, Claire Song, & Jacobo Velez

Music Features Include:

- Pines of Rome - Respighi
- Midsummer Night's Dream - Mendelssohn
- Lohengrin - Wagner
- What Could Have Been - Sting
- Storm from Four Sea Interludes - Britten
- O Fortuna from Carmina Burana - Orff



The Rouse High School Band is under the direction of: Ryan Johnstone, Peyton Grunzke, James Sparling, Anthony Mondragon, & Anna Bush

The Rouse Band program wishes to express our gratitude to Leander ISD, our school, community, parents, and volunteers, whose support makes all we do possible!

Rouse High School Marching Band has earned numerous state awards, honors, and recognition. The band has advanced to the UIL State Marching Contest five consecutive years, earning the Silver Medal each time. In 2023, the band was named Regional Champion at BOA Austin, and the band has also been named class 3A champion at the BOA San Antonio Super Regional the past 3 years. The Rouse Marching Band was awarded the Sudler Shield from the John Philip Sousa Foundation in 2026.

In 2024, the Rouse Honor Band was invited to perform at the Midwest Clinic in Chicago. This past year, the Honor Band was named the 2026 TMEA 5A Honor Band for the state of Texas and performed at the TMEA Convention this past February.

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WILLIAM H. TAFT HIGH SCHOOL “VOYAGES EXTRAORDINAIRES”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors:

Dani Jenks, Ira De Los Santos, & Cadence Lunstrum

Music Features Include:

- “The Leviathan” by James Newton-Howard
- “Aquarium” by Camille Saint-Saenz
- “The Explorer and the Bear” by Tom Fletcher
- “The Rite of Spring” by Igor Stravinsky
- “Harvest Trombone Concerto” by John Mackey



The Taft High School Band is under the direction of:

Gregory Mills, Jeremy Chapman, Joey Salinas, and Austin Zeigler

The William H. Taft High School Marching Band, affectionately known as the Taft Raider Band, is an elite, award-winning musical ensemble from San Antonio, Texas. Founded in 1985 within the Northside Independent School District (NISD), the program has spent over forty years cultivating a legacy of musical excellence and stands as a cornerstone of the school's Fine Arts department. The Taft Band is proud to have attended the Vista Ridge Marching Contest since 2016, being a consistent finalist for the past 9 contests. The Taft Band is also proud to have represented Northside ISD and the city of San Antonio as the first high school jazz ensemble from San Antonio to be named as the TMEA Invited Jazz Ensemble in 2023. Today, the band is under the proud guidance of Director of Bands Greg Mills, alongside Associate Directors Joey Salinas, Jeremy Chapman, and Austin Zeigler.

The Taft Band would like to thank the unwavering support of the Taft Band Booster community, administration, and the Northside ISD fine arts team led by Elizabeth Sanchez-Lopez.

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WILLIAM J BRENNAN HIGH SCHOOL “FLOW”

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors:

Jannell Muchai, Michael Davis, & Skylar Carter

Music Features Include:

- “Harmonium III: Wild Nights” - John Adams
- “Afterlife” - Galante
- “Full Circle” - Matheny



The William J Brennan High School Band is under the direction of:

Chad Taylor, Matthew Narvaez, Dillon Shaw, & Ray Ramirez

The Fine Arts Directors of Northside ISD are Mrs. Elizabeth Sanchez Lopez and Mr. John Dominguez. The BMB would like to thank its amazing team of parents, roadies, chaperones, and boosters for their support throughout the season.

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VISTA RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

"TO US: OLD, NEW, BORROWED, BLUE"

The band is led on the field by Drum Majors:

Megan De Bruyn, Penelope Zink, Sonia Grogono, & Charlotte Martindale

Music Features Include:

- "Wedding March" by Mendelssohn
- "The Marriage of Figaro" by Mozart
- "Where Is My Husband!" by Raye
- "Stand By Me" as covered by Stephen Wilson Jr.
- "Blue Shades" by Ticheli



The Vista Ridge High School Band is under the direction of:

Robert Herrings, Kyle Norris, Kate Allen, Brian Perez & Erin Kosman

Vista Ridge has been a frequent finalist at the Austin and Dallas Regionals, earning the title of Grand Champion at the 2019 West Texas Regional. The band has performed at the San Antonio Super Regional 13 times, advancing to Finals on 7 occasions. The band has also made 9 appearances at the UIL State Marching Band Contest, including being crowned the 2018 6A State Champions. In 2021, Vista Ridge attended Grand Nationals and advanced to Finals, earning an invitation to perform in the 2023 Rose Parade. The band was awarded the prestigious Sudler Shield in 2017 and, in 2021, received the Sudler Flag of Honor.

Most recently, the Vista Ridge Wind Ensemble was named the 2027 TMEA Class 6A Honor Band, adding another distinguished achievement to the program's remarkable history.

We would like to extend a special thank you to our Ranger Level corporate sponsors, Dogtopia and Impact Family Wellness, for their generous support. A heartfelt thank you to our Platinum Sponsor, Bush's Chicken, for helping make our program possible. And a HUGE thank you to our Diamond Sponsors, Ally Medical Emergency Room, AutoNation Chevrolet of West Austin, and Cook Hearing & Balance. Your incredible support makes a lasting difference for our students, our families, and the entire Vista Ridge Band program.

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