

KNIGHT ORCHESTRA NOTES

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sectionals for Chamber 1 and 2, Symphony, and Phil 1 for a grade. Phil 2 is invited to attend.

9/10 Violin Sectional 3:30-4:30
9/11 Viola Sectional 3:30-4:30
9/12 Cello Sectional 3:30-4:30
9/13 Bass Sectional 3:30-4:30

Homecoming Required Parade!

Wednesday, 9/12: Parade 5:00 Officers decorate 6:00 All Meet in orchestra room 7:00 Parade Starts 8:00 Glow Community Pep Rally 9:00 Finish

Friday, 9/14: Carnival during school

Students sign up for shifts! * Selling Walking Tacos and Tea * Pony Races!

9/17 Violin Sectional 3:30-4:30 9/18 Viola Sectional 3:30-4:30

9/19 All Orchestras Rehearsal 3:30-5:00 (Concert Music)

9/19 Mod Pizza Fundraiser & Knight U (open house) 9/20 Bass Sectional 3:30-4:30

Concert coming soon! Sept 27!

Look ahead at our Calendar on Charms!

A NOTE FROM YOUR DIRECTORS

Dear Knight Orchestra Families,

Thank you for being there for us this weekend! On Friday night we had 72 parents representing our program yielding a \$360 donation from our custom fundraising Mattress company! Check out our website! I appreciate the emails that were sent for those of you who wanted to come but could not due to work or sick children. I know that there is a lot on all of your shoulders and we all do what we can.

Our Rock-A-Thon was an incredibly fun night! There were hilarious games, inflatable Twister, an Inflatable obstacle course, video game competitions, pizza & snacks not to mention our late night pancake buffet! If you haven;t seen our video & pictures yet, you can check them out on our Facebook! We will post more on the website this week! Thank you to all of our students that made it out to our 1st EVER Rock-A-Thon! Because of you & all of your hard work to gain donations & sponsors... Our Sponsorship and Donations totaled over \$3000! That is a RECORD for our Orchestra! Be sure to look though all of new orchestra sponsors ads in our upcoming "Knight of Rock" concert program at the end of this month!

A HUGE thank you to these parents for lending a hand on Saturday night!

Kelly Conques, Hildara Anchondo, Jessica Kong, Grace Hong, Ellen Snook, Kelly Kampe, Lilis Colling, Patty Ferguson, Kelly and Cathy McDonald, Jason Norcross, Pricilla Lu-Lorente, Phyllis Kirn, William Kirn, Janet Hawes, Jimmy Harvey and our fearless leader Stacey Kirn!

As always, please keep an eye out for Stacey Kirn's emails for additional booster sponsored activities and volunteering. Musically yours, Mrs. Batson, CFHS Director of Orchestras

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WHAT'S DUE

- Orchestra Forms and Fees are now overdue.
- Coming soon- weekly recorded assignment in Charms.
- Be on the lookout for payment contract and plan for NYC trip.
 Each month will be a payment of about \$300.

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MOSSMAN MENTORS STILL NEEDED

Thank you to those students who have committed! Still looking for a few more! We have a unique program that includes 5th grade students in the beginning violin class at Bayside intermediate. It is the ONLY 5th grade program in the district. It is dependent on us, the CFHS Orchestra. We need students who will commit for months at a time to do the following:

Line up 5th graders at Mossman and walk them to Bayside, Stay and Assist Mrs. Kidwell, Walk the Mossman students to parent pick up and wait with them until picked up. (2:50-4:15) Please sign up or ask for info from Mrs. Batson ASAP.

HOMECOMING PARADE: WEDNESDAY 9/12

I wanted to share with you why attendance at the parade is important. The orchestra program does not always have a way to be in the eyes of the general public or school community. This parade is one small way where we can be seen by every principal, counselor, teacher, and lined up parents in our school. Let's represent and show our school our pride in our program! We will not have the new orchestra shirt in time. Please wear last year's orchestra shirt, or a black tshirt so we are unified. Shorts are allowed. (school dress code is in effect). Bring a bottle of water and a bag of candy to share with bystanders. Green bandanas and hats are fun to add!

ASTROS GAME SUNDAY 9/16

Thanks to all of you who are joining us for the Astros! We have a GIANT group! Family tickets will be passed out on Wednesday during school. Our students will sit together and travel on a bus together. Bring food/drink/souvenir money. *Please use the alternative travel form (last page) if your student will be staying with you at the game.* Continued on next page:

Here is our Astros Game Plan:

10:00 am Check in at CFHS, pick up blue performance shirt, change, unpack/tune. EVERYONE wearing blue jeans and sneakers- no flipflops 10:15 Rehearsal

11:00 Group Pic

11:30 Load and Leave for Minute Maid Park

6:00 (approximately) Load to go home. Parents may sign an alternative transportation form if you want your student to check out from the group and stay with you.

NEW YORK CITY PAYMENT PLAN

We will have a payment plan and contract for NYC released soon. Currently, we have 71 people on our trip! Payments will be about \$300 a month. Payment for the trip must be paid in full by February. The district **will not** take checks over \$150. If you would like to pay in checks, please send checks each written to Clear Falls HS each month. Some families prefer multiple payments a month, some prefer larger payments. We are able to be somewhat flexible with payments. You may pay with cashier's checks or money orders if you would prefer. A detailed trip payment contract is coming soon. *September payment is \$300 and can be sent in now.* (can be split in 2 payments)

VOLUNTEERS AND CHAPERONES

CCISD requires that you complete the online volunteer registration form for a background check. We always need chaperones! Contact me if you would like to join us at any event. This form can be accessed at <u>https://web.ccisd.net/online-forms/volunteerregistration</u>.

Please visit our Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram pages often! Don't forget that we will need your help adding pictures too! If you have a nice shot, please send it our way or post on our Facebook page! https://www.facebook.com/clearfallsorchestra/

Please share our events and concerts!

We need YOU to help share the pride that we have for our students in the orchestra program. If our parents won't do it, who will?







Clear Creek ISD FMG 084910 (EXHIBIT) EXHIBIT C ALTERNATIVE STUDENT TRAVEL FOR SCHOOL EVENT

My son/daughter,	
needs to go to and/or return from N	Name Minute Maid Field on Sunday, Sept 16, 2018 with Adult Driver's Name by
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Car, bus, etc.	Departure time
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employees, and agents from any an	s the Clear Creek Independent School District, its Trustees, nd all liability in connection with this alternate method of travel
Parent or Guardian Signature Date	
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• Student drivers-holding a valid driver's license MAY NOT transport any other student other than themselves.

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