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D33 Performing Arts

Program Overview





Overview of Performing Arts

Current District 33 Program Structure

	Band	Orchestra	Choir	Mariachi
Elementary	5th Grade - Beginning	4th Grade - Beginning 5th Grade - Intermediate	N/A	N/A
Middle	6th Grade 7th Grade 8th Grade	6th Grade 7th Grade 8th Grade	6th Grade 7th Grade 8th Grade	6th Grade Class 7th Grade Class 8th Grade Class
Extracurricular	Jazz Band		Elementary Choir Club	Los Rayos La Tormenta
Staff	1 Elementary 2 Middle	2 Elementary 2 Middle	1 Middle	3 Middle (shared role)

Number of Students in Band

Band	18-19	19-20	20-21	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26
5th		47	n/a	29	47	53	87	66
6th		25	26	29	37	47	52	66
7th		22	24	25	27	32	42	46
8th		27	23	21	27	24	32	44
TOTAL		121	73	104	138	156	213	222

Number of Students in Orchestra

Orchestra	18-19	19-20	20-21	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26
4th		24	n/a	51	77	89	117	122
5th		45	22	34	40	40	60	67
6th	57	38	49	43	38	45	35	51
7th	41	36	56	41	37	35	38	32
8th	27	36	34	52	38	31	33	35
TOTAL	125	179	161	221	230	240	283	307

Number of Students in Mariachi

Mariachi	18-19	19-20	20-21	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26
6th	6th	6th	6th	30	22	11	16	19
7th		7th	7th	25	18	22	9	16
8th			8th	25	20	18	23	9
TOTAL				80	60	51	43	34

Number of Students in Choir

Choir	18-19	19-20	20-21	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26
6th				12	39	22	15	19
7th				32	10	26	19	29
8th				26	23	11	21	25
TOTAL				70	72	59	55	63



Proposal for 26-27 School Year

Elementary Band

- Currently there are 100 students signed up for 5th grade Beginning Band.
- This is 37 more students than last year, but after school rehearsals will still work. However, we may need to look at larger group lessons to accommodate for all of the students who need lessons.

Need for 26-27 School Year - Larger space to hold lessons at each building - Cathy will work with principals to find more of a classroom space so Chanel can hold lessons (i.e. STEM Lab)

Elementary Orchestra

- Currently there is 150 4th grade students signed up and 75 5th grade students.
- For after school rehearsals, there are about 55 students for two teachers who oversee the rehearsals.
- There would not be enough room or supervision to have 2 4th grade and 2 5th grade rehearsals after school.

Need for 26-27 School Year - Larger space to hold lessons at each building - Cathy will work with principals to find more of a classroom space so Griffin and Ximena can hold lessons (i.e. STEM Lab)

Options for Elementary Orchestra Rehearsals

Option 1: Hold after school rehearsals only for 4th grade students spread out over 3 days. Have small ensemble lessons and rehearsals during the day for 5th grade students, since it is their 2nd year learning the instrument.

Option 2: Hold after school rehearsals for all groups, but would not be weekly rehearsals as to accommodate for space and supervision needs.

Recommendation for 26-27 SY: Hold after school rehearsals for 4th grade and rehearsals during the day for 5th grade.

Future Programming Decisions to Make

- As the number of students increase, we need to look at how this will impact as the students continue to move on to the next year, an ultimately the middle school.
- Possible topics to consider:
 - When does band and orchestra start at the elementary school?
 - How do we accommodate for students who are interested in both band and orchestra as this impacts the number of students who sign up?
 - How do we make sure we continue to offer as many students the opportunity to sign up without compromising the quality of the program?
 - How do we ensure they are high school ready after 8th grade?
 - How do we ensure we have the resources (staffing, space, supervision, safety, etc) when we have more students signing up each year?

Next Steps

Board Decision for July 2026

1. Change structure of after school rehearsals for Elementary Orchestra for the 26-27 school year while we look at overall program options.

Update on Future Programming (26-27 School Year)

1. Board update by December 2026
2. Board decision on future program structure that will start in the 27–28 school year by January 2027



THANK YOU.

Questions?

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All of us. *All for them.*

