

FRONT ENSEMBLE PERCUSSION PACKET

(marimba, vibes, xylophone, bells)

2026-2027 CINCO RANCH HIGH SCHOOL DRUMLINE AUDITIONS

This is the audition packet for the 2026-2027 CRHS Drumline, more specifically, battery percussion (snare, tenors, bass drums and cymbals). This packet contains the various warm ups and technique exercises that we use daily and will be used for your audition for placement within the drumline at Cinco Ranch High School. We will be focusing our attention on these during our mini camps. Drumline mini camps will be at the CRHS bandhall from 5:00pm-6:30pm on: April 14th, April 21st, April 28th and May 5th.

***IMPORTANT*: We will have our drumline camp (both battery and front ensemble) at Cinco Ranch High School from May 26th to May 29th from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. Absence from this camp may jeopardize your placement in the drumline. Please feel free to contact me with any questions at (281)237-5202 or at danielrivera@katyisd.org .**

Please visit our website at <https://cincoranchcougarband.com/> and click the calendar toward the bottom to see dates and times of events.

Cinco Ranch High School Band

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Ray Jones, Director ~ Brian Stevens and Danny Rivera, Associate Directors

2026-2027 Freshman

I'd like to extend a warm welcome to everyone joining the CRHS Cougar Band family for the 2026–2027 school year. We're preparing an exciting production for next year, and we're eager to help you get started early so you'll be confident and ready for the fall. If you're still deciding whether band is right for you, I encourage you to participate in our spring activities and experience what makes our program so special.

Freshman Marching Camp is designed to introduce you to the essential skills you'll need as a member of the Cougar Band. By learning the basics now and practicing over the summer, you'll set yourself up for a strong and successful marching season.

We look forward to an outstanding year ahead—over 250 dedicated members, a brand-new show, new instruments, and an incredible booster organization that supports all we do.

Please remember that Freshman Marching Camp is mandatory for all potential band members. If you have any conflicts or questions, contact me anytime at rayhjones@katyisd.org or by phone at the high school band hall: (281) 237-5046. Communication is essential, and I'm here to help whenever you need it.

➤ **Band assessment Video**

- **DUE April 20th**. (Woodwind and Brass only)
- Submit videos here: <https://forms.gle/XvkTffDt7tKBZ5TE8>
- All woodwinds and Brass: A prepared etude (attached)
- Percussion music will come from Mr. Rivera
 - Percussion videos due 5/8



➤ **Drumline Mini Camps** 4/14, 4/21, 4/28, 5/5 from 5:00PM-6:30PM

➤ **Freshman Marching Camp** April 27-April 29 from 5:30PM-7:30PM.

- 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**

➤ **Mandatory freshman parent meeting:** April 29th from 6:00-7:00 PM.

- One parent please attend so that we may answer any questions and introduce you to the wonderful world of high school band.

➤ **Spring Music Camp** April 30th from 5:30PM-7:30PM

- **BRING YOUR INSTRUMENT!**
- We will perform what we learn on the HS Spring Concert on May 7th (details TBD)

➤ **Spring Concert Performance** – May 7th (details TBD)

➤ **Band commitment day** – May TBD (Band fee deposit due)

➤ **Percussion Camp** May 26-29 from 9:00AM-4:30

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

All 9th-grade KISD band students are required to have a physical. This is the same physical form used for KISD athletics, which means you may take advantage of the physical screenings offered at any KISD campus. Screenings conducted on a KISD campus will cost \$30, and Cinco Ranch HS—as well as several other campuses—will offer these opportunities. KISD has not yet released the physical screening schedule. Once it becomes available, I will share it with your junior high band directors. You may also choose to have your family doctor complete the physical, but the official KISD physical form must be used. Please note that the physical must be completed no earlier than May 23 and no later than July 20, 2026.

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.

Ray Jones, Brian Stevens and Danny Rivera
Directors, Cinco Ranch Cougar Band

Singles

Keyboards

Synth

Rack

R R R R R R R R
L L L L L L L L

R R R R R R R R
L L L L L L L L

R R R R R R R R
L L L L L L L L

R R R R R R R R
L L L L L L L L

R
L

R R R R R R R R
L L L L L L L L

R R R R R R R R
L L L L L L L L

R R R R R R R R
L L L L L L L L

R R R R R R R R
L L L L L L L L

R
L

5-3-2-1

Keyboard

Synth

Rack

R R R R R L L L L L R R R R R L L L L L R R R R R L L L L L R R R R R

Kybd

Syn

Rack

L L L L L R R R R R L L L L L R R R R R L L L L L R L L R L R L

Green

(play in all 12 Major Keys)

Keyboard

Synth

Rack

The first system of the musical score for 'Green' consists of three measures. It features three staves: Keyboard (treble clef), Synth (treble and bass clefs), and Rack (bass clef). The Keyboard part plays a continuous eighth-note pattern. The Synth part has a rest in the first measure and then plays a melodic line in the second and third measures. The Rack part plays a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. Below the Rack staff, the following fingerings are indicated: R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R R R R L L L L R L R L R L R L R R L L.

Kybd

Syn

Rack

The second system of the musical score for 'Green' consists of three measures. It features three staves: Kybd (treble clef), Syn (treble and bass clefs), and Rack (bass clef). The Kybd part plays a melodic line. The Syn part has a rest in the first measure and then plays a melodic line in the second and third measures. The Rack part plays a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. Below the Rack staff, the following fingerings are indicated: R R R R L L L L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R R.

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Kybd

1 4 2 3 etc.....

Syn

Rack

RLRLRLRLRLRLRLRL RLRLRLRLRLRLRL RLRLRLRLRLRLRLRL RLRLRLRLRLRLRL

Kybd

1 4 2 3

Syn

Rack

RLRLRLRLRLRLRLRL RLRLRLRLRLRLRL RLRLRLRLRLRLRLRL LRL LRL LRL LRL

Single Independence-pg 3

Kybd

17

Syn

Rack

RLRLRLRLRLRLRLRL RL RL RL RL RL RLRLRLRLRLRLRLRL LR LR LR LR

Kybd

Syn

Rack

RLRLRLRLRLRLRLRL R LR LR LR L RLRLRLRLRLRLRLRL R L R L R

Small Interval Changes (Minerals)

Kybd

Syn

Rack

R L R R L R R L R R L R L L L L L L L R R L R R L R R L R L R L R L R L

Detailed description: This system contains three staves. The top staff (Kybd) has two treble clefs and contains chords and moving lines. The middle staff (Syn) has two treble clefs and contains chords and moving lines. The bottom staff (Rack) has a bass clef and contains a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. Below the Rack staff is a sequence of letters: R L R R L R R L R R L R L L L L L L L R R L R R L R R L R L R L R L R L.

Kybd

Syn

Rack

R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R

Detailed description: This system contains three staves. The top staff (Kybd) has two treble clefs and contains chords and moving lines. The middle staff (Syn) has two treble clefs and contains chords and moving lines. The bottom staff (Rack) has a bass clef and contains a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. Below the Rack staff is a sequence of letters: R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R.

Kybd

Syn

Rack

L L L L R L R L R L R L L L R L R L R L R L

Detailed description: This system contains three staves. The top staff, labeled 'Kybd', has two treble clefs and contains chords in the first two measures and moving eighth-note lines in the last two. The middle staff, labeled 'Syn', has two treble clefs and contains chords in the first two measures and moving eighth-note lines in the last two. The bottom staff, labeled 'Rack', has a bass clef and contains a sequence of eighth notes with 'L' and 'R' labels below them. The labels are: L L L L, R L R L R L R L, L L L L, R L R L R L R L.

Kybd

Syn

Rack

R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R

Detailed description: This system contains three staves. The top staff, labeled 'Kybd', has two treble clefs and contains chords in the first two measures, moving eighth-note lines in the next two, and a final chord. The middle staff, labeled 'Syn', has two treble clefs and contains chords in the first two measures, moving eighth-note lines in the next two, and a final chord. The bottom staff, labeled 'Rack', has a bass clef and contains a sequence of eighth notes with 'R' and 'L' labels below them. The labels are: R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R.

Lateral Breakdown

Keyboard Synth

4 2 etc.....
3 1

4 3 2 etc....
1

4 2 etc.....
3 1

4 1 2 etc.....
3

R L R L R L R L L L L L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L

Kyd Synt

4 2 etc.....
3 1

3 4 2
1

4 2 etc.....
3 1

4 2 1
3

4 2 etc.....
3 1

R L R L R L R L R R L R R L R R L R L R L R L R L R L L R L L R L L R L R L R L R L

Kyd Synt

4 3 1 2 etc.....

4 2 etc.....
3 1

3 4 2 1 etc.....

4 2 etc.....
3 1

L L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L L L R L R L R L R L

Kyd Synt

4 3 1 2 3 4 2 1 etc.....

4 4 1 2 etc.....
3 3

4 2 2 4 3 etc.....
3 1 1

R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L

Lateral Breakdown-pg 2

Kyd
Synt

2 4 4 2 1 etc....
1 3 3

4 2 2 3 4 etc....
3 1 1

2 4 4 1 2 4 2 1 etc....
1 3 3

R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R R R R L L L L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L

Kyd
Synt

4 2 etc....
3 1

2 4 3 2 3 4 etc.....
1 1

R L R L R L R L R

Single Alternating Permutations 1

Keyboards

Synth

Rack

3 4 etc...
1 2

1 3 2 4 1 3 2 4 1 3 2 4 1 3 2 4

3 4 etc...
2 1

R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L

Kybd

Syn

Rack

2 3 1 4 etc...

4 3
2 1

1 4 2 3 etc...

R R L R L R R R L R L R R L R L R R R L

Kybd

Syn

Rack

4 3 etc...
1 2

1 4 2 3 etc...

1 4

R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R L R

April

Cinco Ranch HS Band Calendar High School

2026

All calendar events subject to change

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Drumline camp 5:00-6:30				
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Band Placement Video due 11:59PM		Drumline camp 5:00-6:30				
26	27	28	29	30		
Spring Marching Camp 3:00-5:00	Spring Marching Camp 3:00-5:00	Spring Marching Camp 3:00-5:00 Drumline camp 5:00-6:30	Spring Marching Camp 3:00-5:00	Spring Music Camp 5:30- 7:30		

May

Cinco Ranch HS Band Calendar High School

2026

All calendar events subject to change

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		Drumline camp 5:00-6:30	Beck JH Concert	Join us for our Spring Concert! We will perform what we learned on the 30 th , learned on the 1 st .	Percussion Placement videos due 11:59PM	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Cinco Ranch JH Concert					
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
		Percussion Camp 9:00AM- 4:30PM	Percussion Camp 9:00AM- 4:30PM	Percussion Camp 9:00AM- 4:30PM	Percussion Camp 9:00AM- 4:30PM	
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June

Cinco Ranch HS Band Calendar High School

2026

All calendar events subject to change

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

July

Cinco Ranch HS Band Calendar High School

2026

All calendar events subject to change

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
			SLT Workday 9:00-3:00	SLT Workday 9:00-3:00		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	All Band Students 7:00AM-5:00PM					
26	27	28	29	30	31	
	All Band Students 7:00AM-5:00PM	All Band Students 7:00AM-5:00PM	All Band Students 7:00AM-5:00PM	All Band Students 7:00AM-5:00PM	All Band Students 4:00PM- 8:00PM	

August

Cinco Ranch HS Band Calendar High School

2026

All calendar events subject to change

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

							1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
	All Band Students 4:00PM-	All Band Students 4:00PM-	All Band Students 4:00PM-	All Band Students 4:00PM-	All Band Students 4:00PM-		
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
	All Band Students 4:00PM-8:00PM	All Band Students 7:00AM-10:00AM	First Day of School	Band Rehearsal 3:15-6:00	Band Rehearsal 3:15-6:00 Premier Performance 7:00-8:30		
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
		Band Rehearsal 3:15-5:45	Band Rehearsal 3:15-5:45	Band Rehearsal 3:15-5:45	Band Rehearsal 3:15-5:45		
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
		Band Rehearsal 3:15-5:45	Band Rehearsal 3:15-5:45	Band Rehearsal 3:15-5:45	Band Rehearsal 3:15-5:45		
		1 st Football game weekend					
30	31						