



The String

Reagan Orchestra Booster Club

June 2017

SAVE THE DATE

Aug 14-18

Times Vary Daily

Review the schedule on the website
Orchestra Summer Camp
Reagan Orchestra Room

Aug 19 9:00am-12:00pm

Mandatory Parent and Student Meeting
Fine Arts Building

Oct 17 7:00pm

Fall Concert-Camerata,
Philharmonia, Sinfonietta,
Sinfonia

Oct 19 7:00pm

Fall Concert-Bravura, Chamber,
Symphony Orchestra

Dec 5 7:00pm

Winter Concert

Mar 1 7:00pm

Pre-UIL Concert

May 14 7:00pm

Spring Concert

All dates and times are subject to change and are tentative

Keep current on schedules, information, and other important information on our website at reaganorchestra.weebly.com

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Reagan Orchestra Wins Honorable Mention in American Prize

The Reagan High School Chamber Orchestra won Honorable Mention in the American Prize, an annual national competition designed to recognize and reward the very best of performing arts in the U.S. The Reagan Orchestra competed nationally via recorded orchestral performance in the High School Orchestra Division. Criteria for winners are wide ranging and include musicality, rhythmic incisiveness, tone quality, intonation, among others. Congratulations to Mr. Elizondo, Mr. Sharplin, and the Chamber Orchestra!



2016-2017 Year in Review

- The Directors took seven orchestras to the UIL Concert and Sight Reading Contest:
- Symphony, Chamber, Sinfonia, and Bravura Orchestras earned Sweepstakes, the highest recognition in UIL.
- Philharmonia and combined Philharmonia/Camerata Orchestras scored a Superior rating in the concert competition.
- Sinfonietta Orchestra earned an Excellent rating in the concert competition.
- Forty-two students won seats in the TMEA All-Region Orchestras.
- For the first time in ten years, two Reagan Orchestra students placed in the Texas All-State Orchestra: Jared Lange (bass) and Jenny Zhang (violin). Placement in All-State ranks students in the top half percent of all music students in Texas and the top two percent nationwide.
- Reagan Orchestra students performed 84 events at UIL Solo and Ensemble. Forty-eight were 1st Division Solo and Ensemble events.
- Reagan Orchestra advanced 24 events to the Texas State Solo-Ensemble Contest in Austin.
- Chamber Orchestra received the American Prize Honorable Mention in the High School Division, now ranking Reagan as a Nationally recognized and awarded High School Orchestra.
- Orchestra grew by 40 members to 221 making the Reagan Orchestra the largest orchestra program in NEISD.
- Orchestra members traveled to Orlando for a clinic with Disney Performing Arts music directors even recording their own track!
- Students representing the entire Reagan Fire Arts Program in choir, band, and orchestra comprised 20 of the total 42 All-State seats.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Reagan Orchestra Students Represent Reagan Well at Texas State Solo-Ensemble

Twenty-four Reagan Orchestra students traveled to UT Austin on May 27-29th to perform in the Texas State Solo-Ensemble Contest. Four Reagan Orchestra soloists received Division I gold medals and three Reagan Orchestra ensembles received a Division I Ensemble bronze medals. Congratulations Rattlers!

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Mandatory Parent and Student Meeting Scheduled

The Mandatory Parent Meeting is scheduled for August 19th 9:00am-12:00pm in the Reagan Auditorium. This week, students received a Welcome Packet that includes a letter explaining rules, procedures, and standards of conduct for the Orchestra as well as forms requesting fees and shirt sizes for the upcoming school year. All information will be explained and forms/fees collected at this meeting. If you misplace the packet, all forms can be found on the Reagan Orchestra website.

Annual Orchestra Dinner and Silent Auction

Thank you to our Reagan community for your support at our annual fundraising dinner and silent auction. We exceeded our fundraising goal to fund the education, performances, and activities of the Reagan Orchestra. Special thanks to ROBC VP, Jim Schuppenhauer, and his committee, Carla Sierra, Alicia Ludwig, Allison Balfour, and Meg Lorente, for all of their hard work asking for donations, preparing for the silent auction, and providing results.

And Don't Forget...

Go to our website for current information on the orchestra schedule, announcements, forms, and news any day, at any hour.

-The gallery is updated often and you may see your very own orchestra student learning and having fun as a member of the Reagan Orchestra.

-Mr. Elizondo's calendar is online and live, so you see it as he updates it.

-We now fund the education, performances, and activities of the now nationally recognized Reagan Orchestra. See our fundraising page for information on how to help.

-The ROBC offers complete transparency by posting board meeting minutes and financial statements.

-Get to know your Directors by reading their impressive biographies.

-Access ROBC contact information if you have questions, concerns, or suggestions.

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**SEE YOU AT THE MANDATORY PARENT AND STUDENT MEETING
AUGUST 19TH 9:00AM-12:00PM IN THE REAGAN FINE ARTS BUILDING.**

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!