

Rowland Unified School District

Mariachi Program



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Course Scope:

Each one-year course is designed for any 4th-12th-grade student who is interested in developing the ability to play guitar, vihuela, guitarron or violin. The emphasis will be on having fun by playing and singing Mariachi music for your friends, family and at public and school performances.

This program is where students will meet with the instructor after school once a week.

Beginning Mariachi Weekly Class Times:

This class is for students with no prior musical experience.

Tuesday 4:30pm – 5:30pm Guitar, Vihuela, Guitarron

Intermediate Mariachi Weekly Class Times:

This class is for students who have one or more years of playing experience.

All mariachi violinists and trumpet players should be enrolled in their school's regular day time band or string class.

Thursday 3:30pm – 4:30pm Violin

Thursday 4:30pm – 5:30pm Trumpet, Guitar, Vihuela, Guitarron

Advanced Mariachi Complete Ensemble Weekly Class Time:

This class is for students who feel capable of playing difficult mariachi musical arrangements.

Friday 3:30pm – 5:00pm

All classes will be held at Giano Intermediate School in the music room (P3).

Please note: All mariachi violinist and trumpet players must have one or more years playing experience.



INSTRUMENTS

There are a limited amount of RUSD instruments. It is highly recommended that student rent or buy the instrument they will be using. Students will be able to rent or buy instruments at the Rowland Mariachi Information Night.

SUPPLIES

All mariachi students are required to maintain a 3 ring binder with plastic sheets. Violinist must have a complete set of strings and rosin in their case.

Guitar, vihuela and guitarron players are also expected to have a set of strings in their case.

ROWLAND MARIACHI PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT MEETING

The parent information night will take place on Thursday, September 22 at 6:00pm in the Giano Intermediate School Cafeteria. ***ALL APPLICATION FORMS ARE DUE AT THIS TIME.*** Singer Music will be present at the meeting. They will have instruments available for rental or purchase.

ROWLAND MARIACHI PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

All mariachi parents are invited to attend the Rowland Mariachi Parent Support Group. The purpose of the parent support group is to help the mariachi program organize fundraising activities and social events. The parent support group will meet once a month.

CONCERT ATTIRE

Beginning and Intermediate Students will wear the following:

- Black shoes
- Black pants/skirt, white long sleeve dress shirt
- Red mono
- Girls will also wear a red bow in their hair



Advanced students will wear the following:

- Tradition traje (Supplied by RUSD)
- Black boots are required

CASUAL OUTFIT

The casual outfit will consist of a Rowland Mariachi polo shirt and blue jeans. All Mariachi students are required to purchase the polo shirt. More information will follow.



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Rowland Unified School District APPLICATION FOR MARIACHI PROGRAM

School: _____ Teacher: _____ Rm #: _____ Grade: _____

Student's Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Initial)

Address: _____

Mother's Name: _____ Email _____
(Last) (First)

Home Phone: (____) _____ - _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____ - _____

Father's Name: _____ Email _____
(Last) (First)

Home Phone: (____) _____ - _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____ - _____

Would you like to be a parent volunteer? Yes No

Program: (Select one) Beginning Mariachi Intermediate Mariachi Advanced Mariachi

Did you participate in the Mariachi program last year? Yes No

Please check the instrument student would like to play or already play:

Violin Guitar Vihuela Guitaron

Photo Release: Some of the performances throughout the year are photographed and/or video taped, and may be published on our website or the RUSD Instrumental Music Facebook page. Please let us know if we may include photos or videos that may include your child. Names are never associated with the photos.

Yes, I give permission for my child to be photographed and/or video taped.

No, I do not give permission for my child to be photographed or video taped.

Student Signature: _____ Parent's Signature _____

**PLEASE RETURN APPLICATION TO YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL OFFICE IMMEDIATELY.
YOU MAY ALSO BRING IT TO THE ROWLAND MARIACHI PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT.**