



School News



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Our Mariachi Band

Handy Elementary School is proud to present their Mariachi band members. The band is led under the direction of Mr. Walter Wagner and Mr. Justin Wong and was designed to honor the heritage of our students through musical exploration. Students are selected to participate based on academics, citizenship, and skill. The mariachi band is an extension of the Orange Unified's Visual and Performing Arts program and is open to all Handy Elementary students in grades fifth and sixth. Band members select from several instruments including the trumpet, violin, guitar, guitarron, and vihuela. Musical selections are taught to increase student technical skills, team-building, as well as to honor the cultural diversity among the Handy community. Instruments are loaned to students throughout the year to take home and practice. Students practice throughout the year and have performed at both school and District events.

