



**Welcome to the  
Irvine High Instrumental Music Program  
and the  
Vaquero Instrumental Music Boosters (VIMB)  
2023-2024**



Dear Irvine Instrumental Music Program Families,

We are so happy to have you join our program at Irvine High School. We know that your time with us will be filled with musical, academic, and social growth that will benefit the students well beyond their time at Irvine High School. The Vaquero Instrumental Music Boosters and the Instrumental Music Directors are here to help provide a priceless experience and we are excited to help you get signed up and ready to begin. We hope that this packet will give you a clear outline of the steps to complete the registration process.

This letter contains the following sections:

- Description of the Vaquero Instrumental Music Boosters (VIMB)
- Description of Costs and Contributions
- School Instrument Use
- Instrumental Music Program Registration Checklist

Let's get started!

Sincerely,

June Thongsrinoon  
VIMB Registrar

## Vaquero Instrumental Music Boosters (VIMB)

The Vaquero Instrumental Music Boosters (VIMB) is a volunteer parent organization that provides both financial and volunteer support to the instrumental music programs at Irvine High School. The organization runs major music events and fundraisers throughout the year. Funds raised are used to purchase and maintain instruments, pay for music coaches, and purchase new sheet music for **all** instrumental music groups.

- Concert Orchestra, Symphonic Orchestra & Philharmonic Orchestra
- Concert Band, Symphonic Band & Wind Symphony
- Percussion Ensemble, Guitar & Commercial Music
- Marching Band & Color Guard
- Jazz I & Jazz II

Being a booster parent is also a lot of fun! Please join our music directors and other music parents at our monthly meetings. It is a great place to get all the latest information and updates. VIMB meetings are generally held on the second Tuesday of each month from 7:00pm-8:15pm. Meeting reminders are emailed to parents and available on the VIMB website.

All parent communications are via our website at **www.vimb.info** or by email

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**All other Instrumental Music students must be registered by Friday, Sept 8<sup>th</sup>.**  
**Registration is not considered complete until all forms are received by our Registrar.**

## Costs & Contributions

The award-winning Vaqueros Instrumental Music Program is solely dependent on voluntary contributions and fundraising throughout the year. We do not receive funds from the state, IUSD, or IPSF for our program.

The Vaquero Instrumental Music Boosters (VIMB) supports all instrumental music students and classes by covering the expenses listed below annually. We host two major fundraising events every year - the Irvine Invitational Field Tournament and the Irvine Jazz Festival – to raise additional funds to sustain the IHS Instrumental Music Program. However, these events do not generate enough to cover our annual expenses. We need your assistance to offer a quality program for years to come. We understand that each family has faced different challenges over the past three years related to the pandemic, so we appreciate your contributions more than ever. Please donate as generously as you are able.

### Vaquero Instrumental Music Boosters (VIMB) Annual Expense Budget:

Music Coaches	\$26,000
Instrument/Accessories Purchases	\$22,000
Instrument Repairs	\$7,000
Supplies, Music, Software, Festival, Misc.	\$7,000
Marching Band Expenses	<u>\$22,000</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$84,000</b>

## **IHS Instrumental Music Program Donation**

We graciously ask for your financial support in the form of monetary donations. These donations are completely optional, but necessary to maintain the high performing music program we have today. The VIMB is a 503(c) non-profit entity with the state of California. This means that all donations you make to the VIMB are tax deductible.

We acknowledge our supporters in our concert programs throughout the school year in the following donor levels:

Vaquero Green Supporters - \$500 or more  
Vaquero Blue Supporters - \$250-\$499  
Vaquero White Supporters - \$100-\$249  
General Support - \$1-\$99

## **Mighty Marching Vaqueros Donation**

Many students in the IHS Instrumental Music Program have the opportunity to perform with the Mighty Marching Vaquero Marching Band and Color Guard. The benefits of participation in this ensemble are endless. Producing this ensemble annually is costly and we ask that all members who participate contribute. Please consider donating to this fund in addition to the IHS Instrumental Music Program Donation. The suggested donation is \$150. We appreciate your continued support.

## **School Instrument Use**

Irvine High School has instruments available for student use. We request a School Instrument Donation of \$150 . We strive to maintain quality instruments. Your donation will help improve our inventory and will definitely be a better value than renting from a local music store. If your family will require the use of a second instrument we ask that you contribute an additional \$100 for that instrument. This contribution covers normal instrument maintenance and SIMPLE repairs. Any additional maintenance and repairs beyond that which is deemed to be normal will be an additional charge to the student. Your support is needed to maintain the quality of our instruments for our students.

**Please register each student online at [www.vimb.info/registration](http://www.vimb.info/registration)**



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Use the following checklist to ensure you have completed all the necessary step to join the Irvine High School Instrumental Music Program:

- Print, sign, and scan Trip Waiver/Medical Authorization forms so you can be ready to upload it during the Online Registration process. Access form [HERE](#)
- Complete the online registration (one per student) at [www.vimb.info/registration](http://www.vimb.info/registration)
- Give your Irvine HS Instrumental Music Program Donation
- Give your Instrument Use Donation (if your student is using a school instrument)
- Give your Mighty Marching Vaquero Donation (if your student participates in the marching band or color guard)
- Submit payment for your Dinkle order (if applicable)
- Visit the calendar section of our website to add our events to your family calendar. Events for the entire school year are available - [IHS Instrumental Music Program Calendar](#)

**All donations and dinkle payments can be made online by visiting**  
<https://www.vimb.info/donate>

If you would like to make a cash donation, please contact our registrar, June Thongsrinoon, at [ihs.vimb@gmail.com](mailto:ihs.vimb@gmail.com) to arrange for a drop-off. Checks can be mailed to:

VIMB c/o Vicki Osborn  
14542 Savin Ave  
Irvine, CA 92606

Please visit our website, [www.vimb.info](http://www.vimb.info) for the most recent news and updates including calendars, upcoming events, volunteer needs and sheet music for your student.

Should you have any questions about Registration, please contact our registrar, June Thongsrinoon, at [ihs.vimb@gmail.com](mailto:ihs.vimb@gmail.com).