2025 TMEA Region XXV MS Orchestras
In Concert
Lowery Freshman Center Auditorium
Saturday November 7, 2026

3:00 PM – Bach Orchestra

Yesenia Campos, conductor

Violet's Tango – Doug Spata

Beach Spring – Deborah Baker Monday

Blue Rhythmico – Kirt Mosier

Violin I

Bodhi Tatsuyama	Robinson MS
Chloe Xu	Ereckson MS
Emma Blackwelder	Ereckson MS
Jiayuan Guo	Rice MS
Kaitlyn Tsai	Rice MS
Vivian Wang	Rice MS
Gracelyn Mire	Robinson MS
Aidan Park	Ereckson MS
Riley Park	Ereckson MS
Samruthi Rajagopalakrishnan	Wylie ISD
Delsa Samouhi	Robinson MS
Keke Shi	Rice MS
Simeon Yotov	Curtis MS
Bonnie Zhao	Rice MS
Angie Hu	Rice MS
Dylan Reusch	Curtis MS

Violin II

Curtis Ding	Curtis MS
Anissa Berrones	Rice MS
Natsuha Makino	Sloan Creek IS
Nethra Nair	Schimelpfenig MS
Jay Vadlamani	Robinson MS
Anika Sathish	Ereckson MS
Daniel Gwie	Ford MS
Suren Khoobroo	Renner MS
Isabelle Ong	Schimelpfenig MS
Yoon Choi	Ereckson MS
Annabelle Wisnu	Renner MS
Jane We	Ereckson MS
Ryan Koleini	Rice MS
Benjamin Slavin	Ereckson MS
Grayson Wang	Rice MS
Lucas Hamlen	Murphy MS

Viola

Faith Suh	Robinson MS
Eowyn Xu	Robinson MS
Anish Barath	Curtis MS
David Sok	Robinson MS
Rejean Kim	Rice MS
August Wang	Curtis MS
Rhea Rajan	Ereckson MS
Austin Wong	Renner MS
Hussain Abbas	Rice MS
Nicholas Kwon	Renner MS
Sarah Dennis	McMillan JH
Isaac Hamlen	Murphy MS
Darsha Arunkumar	Otto MS
Isabelle Brata	Schimelpfenig MS

Cello

Henry Tan	Curtis MS
Angela Kim	Curtis MS
Mila Szyka	Melissa Sixth Grade Center
Boah Kim	Otto MS
Boulder Van Pham	Robinson MS
Dylan Zhang	Ereckson MS
Charlotte He	Sloan Creek IS
Michael Yang	Rice MS
Owen Xiao	Ford MS
Colin Yap	Rice MS
Anderson Xia	Curtis MS
Aarna Shetty	Rice MS
Ellie Zhou	Ereckson MS
Hanna Nguyen	Ereckson MS

String Bass

Han Shao	Rice MS
Vishnu Vundavalli	Rice MS
Violet Vohs	Robinson MS
Adam Hooper	Ford MS
Ivy Hammond	Renner MS
Diana Ajayi	Curtis MS

3:30 PM - Beethoven Orchestra

Gary Keller, conductor

To Tame the Raging Rapids – Brian Balmages

Dos Fuegos – Robert Sieving

Fire in the Forge – Ted Allen

Violin I

Alexander Lee	Rice MS
Adriana Graciotti	Rice MS
Colby Baroro	Melissa MS
Akshay Chakravarthi	Murphy MS
Brian Weng	Curtis MS
William Hamlen	Murphy MS
Anabel Biringer	Haggard MS
Rohan Kamat	Rice MS
Jeremy Hu	Ereckson MS
Chloe Kim	Ereckson MS
Katherine Yang	Rice MS
Evelyn Johnson	Willow Springs MS
Hayun Lee	Ereckson MS
Cecily Choi	Willow Springs MS
Sophia Kim	Rice MS
Keshav Devanathan	Ereckson MS
Juran Liu	Rice MS
Lillian Chen	Haggard MS
Natalie Stertz	Wylie ISD
Aneesh Palit	Ford MS

Violin II

Ellery Zhang	Renner MS
Emily Wu	Schimelpfenig MS
Max Xing Yu Tan	Ereckson MS
Cindy Zou	Rice MS
Eric Yang	Ereckson MS
Joana Liou	Rice MS
Anaisha Komanduri	Ereckson MS
Mia Chen	Curtis MS
Ivan Wang	Curtis MS
Ivy Hsu	Renner MS
Kingsley Ng	Rice MS
Angelin Mercy	Rice MS
Ian Kim	Ereckson MS
Michael Ho	Ereckson MS
Titus Sun	Curtis MS
Megan Lien	Murphy MS
Shreya Aravind	Robinson MS
Kailey Cheng	Curtis MS
Nazeef Joarder	Ford MS
John-Elliott Petrash	Frankford MS

Viola

Leila Hong	Murphy MS
Evan Verma	Ereckson MS
Gabriella Cavallin	Rice MS
Sahasra Produtor	Ereckson MS
Nicolas Coyle	Renner MS
Madison Bent	Rice MS
Gabriel Gao	Ereckson MS
Arthur Bregman	Curtis MS
Ally Jin	Ereckson MS
Jieum Ahn	Curtis MS
Feniah Porritt	Wilson MS
Kyle Shin	Rice MS
Ayush Padarthi	Ereckson MS
Dhanvi Sangram	Curtis MS
Elliot Dykstra	Willow Springs MS
Riaan Baronia	Ereckson MS

Cello

Emma Hang	Willow Springs MS
Claire Warner	Ereckson MS
Rayner Sugiato	Curtis MS
Louis Lu	Rice MS
Audrey Kim	Curtis MS
Declan Shen	Rice MS
Dingwei Tsai	Rice MS
Andrew Tan	Rice MS
Donovan Abernethy	Willow Springs MS
Joseph Chapman	Schimelpfenig MS
Lucy Nam	Rice MS
Kavin Chellamuthu	Otto MS
Dominic Smith	Schimelpfenig MS
Liviay Leong	McMillan JH
Kendall Lee	Robinson MS
Samuel Simons	Robinson MS

String Bass

Eshaan Sriram	Ereckson MS
Adam Cronk	Haggard MS
Mauricio Ramos	Renner MS
Olivia Mueller	Curtis MS
Cole Duewall	Wilson MS
Aahana Tomar	Curtis MS

4:00 PM - Brahms Orchestra

Thomas Chen, conductor

Overture to Ruslan and Ludmilla – Mikhail Glinka/arr. Robert Sieving

Rosa Mundi - Paul Lewis

Miriam Danced by the Red Sea – Avner Dorman

Violin I

Howie Chang	Curtis MS
Madi Lee	Ereckson MS
Lucia Duan	Rice MS
Emma Pan	Rice MS
Karis Chon	Rice MS
Stanley Dai	Rice MS
Claire Lee	Ereckson MS
Olivia Zhang	Sloan Creek IS
Ellie Ni	Rice MS
Eason Ding	Curtis MS
Prathik Karthik	Rice MS
Sebastian Huynh	Ereckson MS
Daniel Zhang	Rice MS
Zoe Kim	Ereckson MS
Joyce Fang	Rice MS
Grace Wu	Rice MS

Violin II

Asumi Okamoto	Wilson MS
Hudson Huang	Rice MS
Colton Baroro	Melissa MS
Jeffrey Zheng	Ereckson MS
Eli Lee	Ereckson MS
Alex Bao	Rice MS
Suri Fan	Ereckson MS
Yu Tung Wang	Renner MS
Wesley Shen	Ereckson MS
Augustus Bolla	Sloan Creek IS
Leia Lin	Cooper JH
Sarang Mamadapur	Rice MS
Meghana Shenoy	Otto MS
Katie Lee	Otto MS
Alex Jo	Ereckson MS
Elyse Lee	Rice MS

Viola

Jin-Lee Hugo Yu	Rice MS
Cara Pipe	Willow Springs MS
Tristan Groten	Curtis MS
Angelina Huang	Willow Springs MS
Viraj Nirmal	Rice MS
Abigail Lau	Robinson MS
Aiden Pepkin	Curtis MS
Echo Yang	Ereckson MS
Issac Yang	Rice MS
Ethan Kim	Ereckson MS
Leon Kim	Ereckson MS
Tommy Giometti	Renner MS

Cello

Amber Li	Rice MS
Brian Kim	Ereckson MS
Adam Xu	Willow Springs MS
Max Landefeld	Rice MS
Lydia Marcin	Ereckson MS
Jacqueline Yuan	Rice MS
Aaron Shao	Ereckson MS
Franklin Wang	Willow Springs MS
Preston Hsieh	Ereckson MS
Ethan Chen	Willow Springs MS
Miles Szyka	East Cardinal MS
Chloe Xu	Ereckson MS

String Bass

Henry Church	Ereckson MS
Saanvi Jayaswal	Otto MS
Amira Qureshi	Otto MS
Chloe Nguyen	Robinson MS
Charles Dominguez	Willow Springs MS
Viraj Mazumdar	Willow Springs MS

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Bach Orchestra – 3:00 p.m. Yesenia Campos, Conductor

Yesenia Campos is the director of orchestras at Rockwall High School in Rockwall, TX. Mrs.Campos completed her graduate studies at Southern Methodist University and her undergraduate studies at West Texas A&M University. Her studies included work with world renowned soloist Chee-Yun Kim, mentors Annie Chalex, Tomas Cotik, and Dr. Keith Redpath.

As a violinist, Mrs. Campos has performed at several music festivals including the American Festival for the Arts, the Hot Springs Music Festival, and the Midwest Young Artist Music Festival which included masterclasses with Mark Kosower, Eugene Purdue, Young Nam Kim, and William Preucil. Mrs. Campos is currently a first violinist with the McKinney Philharmonic Orchestra.

Mrs. Campos began her teaching career in 2017. As an orchestra director, Mrs. Campos' orchestras have received consecutive Sweepstake awards and have received numerous recognitions at various festivals including being awarded Outstanding Performance and Best in Festival.

In addition to her teaching, Mrs. Campos is an active clinician and judge in the Dallas area and around the state. Her professional affiliations include Texas Music Educators Association, Texas Orchestra Directors Association, and Texas Music Adjudicators Association. When not conducting an orchestra, Mrs. Campos enjoys spending time with her husband, her two beautiful daughters, and her dog Sam.



Beethoven Orchestra – 3:30 p.m. Gary Keller, Conductor

Gary Keller is in his 27th year of music education and currently serves as Director of Orchestras at Byron Nelson High School in Trophy Club, Texas. His musical journey began in fifth grade when he picked up the cello and discovered what would become a lifelong passion for music and music education.

Mr. Keller earned a Bachelor of Music Education degree from Oklahoma City University in 1999 and a master's degree in Educational Administration in 2010. In addition to his music education certifications, he holds certifications as both a principal and superintendent, reflecting his commitment to instructional excellence and educational leadership.

Under his direction, orchestras have earned numerous UIL Sweepstakes awards and festival honors, and his ensembles have performed at the Texas Music Educators Association (TMEA) Clinic/Convention and The Midwest Clinic. In addition to his work as a director, Mr. Keller is an active clinician and adjudicator for concert, sight-reading, and solo and ensemble events. His professional leadership includes serving as a former Region Orchestra Division Chair, organizing numerous region orchestras and two TMEA All-State Orchestras, and serving as TMEA Region 2 President.

In 2005, *School Band & Orchestra* magazine recognized Mr. Keller as Texas's representative in its "Fifty Directors from the 50 States Who Make a Difference" feature, honoring music educators making a positive impact on their students and programs.

Beyond the orchestra room, Mr. Keller enjoys golfing, cheering on the Dallas Stars, and spending time with his wife, Elizabeth, and their four children, whose activities keep the family on the go.



Brahms Orchestra – 4:00 p.m. Thomas Chen, Conductor

Thomas Chen is Director of Orchestras at Carmel High School in Carmel, Indiana. Under his direction, the Carmel High School Symphony Orchestra earns regular appearances at the Indiana State School Music Association Concert Orchestra State Finals, produced a recording of Dvorak Symphony No. 9, and performed at The Midwest Clinic in 2019 and 2024. Chen previously served as Assistant Director at Dobie High School in Houston, Texas.

In addition to public school teaching, Chen is Associate Conductor with the Indianapolis Youth Orchestra's Symphony Orchestra. Chen has performed as a guest conductor with the Purdue University Philharmonic and Symphony Orchestras, Carmel Symphony Orchestra, Ohio Wesleyan University Summer Music Camp, Butler University Summer Arts Camp String Scholars, Jefferson County Public Schools All County Orchestra, and Wright State University Fall Strings Festival.

Chen earned his Bachelor of Music Education from DePauw University in Greencastle, Indiana, where he studied viola with Dr. Nicole Brockmann. While completing his studies, he earned opportunities to perform in masterclasses with the American String Quartet and Joan Tower.

Chen is a proud member of the American String Teachers Association and National Association for Music Education. He currently serves as Orchestra Division Chair with the Indiana Music Education Association and President of the Indiana Chapter of the American String Teachers Association.

Region XXV Orchestra Directors

Christine Aeschbacher	McMillan JH/Davis Int	Olivia Graber	Hendrick MS	Kathy Ngo	Haggard MS
Brian Bires	Willow Springs MS	Jennifer Grice	Vines HS	Amy Nguyen	Sloan Creek Intermediate
Rachel Boone	Ereckson MS	Amy Gross	Plano West Senior HS	Kathryn Pena	Wylie HS/McMillan JH/Davis Int
Carly Bower	Bowman MS	Jennifer Guffey	Schimelpfenig MS	Brandie Phillips	Lovejoy HS
So Jeong Bradley	Rice MS	Jackson Hardman	Robinson MS	Karen Prud'homme	Renner MS
Christopher Bryan	Sherman HS	Mary Havenstrite	Robinson MS	Charles Robinson	Lowery FC
Amanda Chen	Haggard/Schimelpfenig MS	Candi Ice	Lowery FC	Maria Rohr	McMillen HS
Vivian Chen	Jasper HS	Szemoke Jobbagy-Vu	Plano East Senior MS	Ryan Ross	Plano West Senior HS
Annabel Choi	Ereckson MS	Amber Kober	Williams HS	Katie San Diego	Willow Springs MS
April Clinton	Piner MS/Sherman MS	Robert Kohler	Otto MS	Gihae Shin	Plano Senior HS
Brian Coatney	Wylie HS	Lindsay Leigh	Shepton HS	Amanda Su	Curtis MS
Matthew Cross	Allen HS	Leonardo Lima	Bowman MS	Sherry Su	Curtis MS
Emily De La Torre	Rice MS	Raquel Martinez	Plano Senior HS	Madison Sykora	Frankford MS
David DeVoto	Allen HS	Caleb Moore	Lovejoy HS	JaNae Taylor	Renner MS
Joanna DeVoto	Ereckson MS	Emily Moore	Murphy MS	Abby Van Sice	Ford MS
Matthew Frerck	Wilson MS	Matthew Moreno	Jasper HS	Kyla Walton	Otto MS
Mariana Garcia	Plano East Senior HS	Gary Needham	Clark HS	Abby Waymon	Curtis MS
Amy Gearhart	Ford MS				

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Matt Moreno - Past Chair/Contest Administrator, Region XXV Orchestra Division

Amanda Chen and Kathy Ngo– Brahms MS Orchestra Organizers
Katie San Diego and Olivia Graber – Beethoven MS Orchestra Organizers
Kyla Walton and Robert Kohler– Bach MS Orchestra Organizers

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