



NATHAN VALDEZ
**ASSISTANT BAND DIRECTOR/
PERCUSSION SPECIALIST**

Mr. Valdez currently serves as Associate Band Director and Percussion Director at Clear Falls HS in League City, Texas. Previously, he worked as a Private Lesson Instructor and Clinician in the Houston Area. Mr. Valdez has worked with many programs including: Cy-Creek HS, Cy-Fair HS, Cy-Ranch HS, Jersey Village HS, Pearland HS, among others. Highlights during this time include multiple best drumline awards for his students, as well as Co-Directing the Cy-Creek Percussion Ensemble, alongside Doug Herrington, and leading the students to win the Percussive Art Society International Percussion Ensemble Competition, and performing at the PAS convention in 2012. Mr. Valdez has also been an active percussion arranger in the Houston area since 2010, and his arrangements have lead groups to multiple drumline awards at area marching competitions.

Mr. Valdez holds a Bachelor's degree in Music Education from Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi, where he studied under Dr. Matt McClung. Previously, he attended the University of Houston, where he studied under Dr. Blake Wilkins. He performed with the University of Houston Wind Ensemble, Percussion Ensemble, Full Orchestra, and Drumline. Highlight performances include performing at both the 2006 and 2008 PAS Convention with the Percussion Ensemble and Drumline, and performing at the TMEA Convention with the Wind Ensemble. Mr. Valdez was also a member of Revolution Drum and Bugle Corp in 2005, competing in DCI Finals and earning a 4th place finish.

Mr. Valdez is a graduate of Mary Carroll H.S. in Corpus Christi, TX, a member of PAS, TMEA, and enjoys spending time with his wife, Kaitlyn.