Spring Branch Independent School District Agenda Item Information

Date of Board Meeting: October 21, 2024

Subject: Recognition of Stratford High School Symphony Orchestra as a National Winner in the 2024 Mark of Excellence Competition

Administrator Responsible:

Name: Linda Buchman

Position: Associate Superintendent for Communications and Community Engagement

Purpose of Agenda Item: Special Presentation

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND/OR BACK-UP:

The Mark of Excellence is a national music competition sponsored by The Foundation for Music Education. The contest recognizes music ensembles for high standards in performance. Ensembles are judged by nationally known adjudicators, with the top quarter being named as National Winners. In 2024, there were 450 entries from 40 states.

Led by Director Artan Zhuri, the Stratford Symphony Orchestra was named a National Winner this year and will be recognized by the Board.