

**Mariachi Nuevo Santander** is an award-winning mariachi from Roma High School in Roma, Texas under the musical direction of Eloy Garza. Mariachi Nuevo Santander has been recognized as the top performing mariachi group among high schools in the entire U.S. and have generated many accomplishments, has recorded three albums, appeared on national television and have performed throughout the U.S.

Most recently, Mariachi Nuevo Santander was named the 1st place National Champions at the Mariachi Vargas Extravaganza National Competition in San Antonio Tx, held this past December. In fact, they are 6-time grand champion winners of that same competition – the largest, longest running and most competitive mariachi group competition in the world. The group has also appeared on NBC's America's Got Talent Season 12 in 2017 where they recorded in Pasadena, California and at the Universal Studios in Los Angeles. They have performed throughout the U.S. in cities that include Washington, D.C., Ashland, Oregon, Atlanta Georgia, and most recently they travel to Ann Arbor Michigan for an entire week representing the Mariachi Vargas Extravaganza as the 1st place national champions. There they perform for over 3000 students and open the concert for Mariachi Vargas de Tecalitlán.

The mariachi's success is attributed not just to the dedication of the students but also to the combined support of the entire community, school district, and especially parents & family members. Mariachi Nuevo Santander continues their dedication and commitment not just in mariachi but also academically proudly representing Roma ISD, their community, and mariachi music everywhere they go.