

Instrument & Accessories Selection Guide

The following is a list of band director approved instruments and accessories. Students are responsible for renting or purchasing and maintaining their own instruments. Students that use a school-owned instrument are still required to obtain the appropriate accessories and cleaning supplies.

Instrument	Suggested Brands	Required Accessories
Flute	Gemeinhardt, Yamaha, Armstrong, Emerson	Cleaning rod, silk swab
Oboe	Fox, Selmer Signet, Bundy, Yamaha	3 reeds – medium soft strength, no plastic reeds, cork grease, reed well, silk swab
Clarinet (Wood Preferred)	Buffet, Leblanc, Noblet, Selmer Signet, Yamaha	Van Doren B-45 Mouthpiece, cork grease, silk swab, box of VanDoren reeds (2 ½ strength for beginners, Otherwise size 3), 4 reed holder
Saxophone	Yamaha, Jupiter	Selmer CS 80 C* Mouthpiece Box of VanDoren reeds (2 ½ strength for beginners, Otherwise size 3), silk swab, cork grease, 4 reed holder
Bassoon	Fox/Renard, Shreiber, Amati	3 reeds, medium soft strength, reeds holder, reed well, cork grease, silk swab, seat strap
Trumpet	Bach, Yamaha, Besson, Bundy, Holton	Bach 3C mouthpiece, valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, cleaning snake
French Horn (Preferably double)	Holton, Conn	Holton Farkas DC or MDC mouthpiece, rotary valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, cleaning snake
Trombone	Holton, King, Conn, Bundy, Selmer, Bach, Yamaha	Bach or Blessing 6 ½ AL or 12C mouthpiece, slide cream, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, cleaning snake
Baritone, Euphonium	Besson, Conn Willson, Yamaha	Bach or Blessing 6 ½ AL or 12C mouthpiece, valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, cleaning snake
Tuba	Yamaha/Other	Bach or Blessing 18, Conn Helleberg Mouthpiece, 24 AW
Percussion	Percussionists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Snare sticks (Vic Firth SD1 or Innovative Percussion sticks by Lalo Davila) ✓ A practice pad (8 inch “Reel Feel” recommended). ✓ A practice xylophone. Jazz Band Percussionists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ It is recommended that jazz band students have a drum set at home and drum set sticks (5A or 7A). 	

All students should also have a music stand for home use.

You can also purchase apps to assist your child's practice habits including:

- a. Bandmate Chromatic Tuner, a transposing tuner!
- b. TE Tuner, a tuner AND metronome.
- c. Tempo, the ultimate metronome.
- d. Ningenius, an interactive instrument fingering game.
- e. Fingerings, an interactive instrument fingering guide.
- f. Tenuto, Music note reading trainer (reading).
- g. Music Theory Pro, Music trainer as well.