

Avalon Middle School

APPROVED INSTRUMENTS GUIDE & MATERIALS CHECKLIST FOR BEGINNING BAND

The following is a list of approved brands for each instrument. The brand names on this list represent high-quality materials and workmanship. It is important that you acquire a well-made instrument in good working condition in order for your child to enjoy a successful experience in band. Besides the instrument, there are some additional items your child must have for cleaning, maintenance, and home practice, which are also listed below.

Flute

Approved Brands: Amadeus, Armstrong, Artley, Buffet, Bundy (original, by Selmer), Emerson, Gemeinhardt, Jupiter, Selmer, Yamaha

Additional Materials: Standard of Excellence Enhanced Book 1, cleaning/tuning rod, cleaning swab, polish cloth, and music stand

Clarinet

Approved Brands: Armstrong, Artley, Buffet, Bundy (original, by Selmer), Jupiter, Leblanc, Schreiber, Selmer, Vito, Yamaha

Additional Materials: Standard of Excellence Enhanced Book 1, 4 Rico #2 1/2 reeds, reedguard, cork grease, cleaning swab, polish cloth, and music stand

Saxophone

Instrument is rented from the school

Additional Materials: Standard of Excellence Enhanced Book 1, 4 Rico #2 1/2 reeds, reedguard, cork grease, cleaning swab, neckstrap, polish cloth, and music stand

Cornet

Approved Brands: Bach, Besson, Bundy (original, by Selmer), Conn, Getzen, Holton, Jupiter, King, Yamaha

Additional Materials: Standard of Excellence Enhanced Book 1, size 7C mouthpiece (or equivalent), valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, valve casing brush, polish cloth, and music stand

Trombone

Approved Brands: Bach, Besson, Bundy (original, by Selmer), Conn, Getzen, Holton, Jupiter, King, Yamaha

Additional Materials: Standard of Excellence Enhanced Book 1, size 12C mouthpiece (or equivalent), handslide oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, polish cloth, and music stand

French Horn

Instrument is rented from the school

Additional Materials: Standard of Excellence Enhanced Book 1, size 11 mouthpiece (or equivalent), rotor oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, and music stand

Baritone Horn

Instrument is rented from the school

Additional Materials: Standard of Excellence Enhanced Book 1, size 6 1/2AL mouthpiece (or equivalent), valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, and music stand

Tuba

Instrument is rented from the school

Additional Materials: Standard of Excellence Enhanced Book 1, mouthpiece, mouthpiece pouch, valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, and music stand

Percussion

Approved Brands: Ludwig, Pearl, or Yamaha snare kit, and CB 6854 or equivalent bell set

Additional Materials: Fresh Approach to the Snare Drum, Fresh Approach to Mallet Percussion, music stand