

Gulf Breeze Middle School

APPROVED INSTRUMENT 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, Emerson, Gemeinhardt, Jupiter, Yamaha

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

Clarinet

Approved Brands: Armstrong, Artley, Backun, Buffet, Jupiter, Leblanc, Selmer, Vito, Yamaha

Additional Materials: Standard of Excellence Enhanced Book 1, 6 Vandoren strength 2 ½ reeds, reedguard, cork grease, silk cleaning swab, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, music stand (optional)

Saxophone

Approved Brands: Armstrong, Conn, Jupiter, King, Selmer, Vito, Yamaha, Yanagisawa

Additional Materials: Standard of Excellence Enhanced Book 1, 6 Vandoren strength 2 ½ reeds, reedguard, cork grease, silk cleaning swab, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, music stand (optional)

Trumpet

Approved Brands: Bach, Conn, Getzen, Holton, Jupiter, King, Yamaha

Additional Materials: Standard of Excellence Enhanced Book 1, size 5C mouthpiece (or equivalent), Ultra-Pure valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, polish cloth, straight mute (optional), music stand (optional)

Trombone

Approved Brands: Bach, Conn, Getzen, Holton, Jupiter, King, Yamaha

Additional Materials: Standard of Excellence Enhanced Book 1, size 12C mouthpiece (or equivalent), Superslick handslide cream, water spray bottle, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, polish cloth, music stand (optional)

French Horn

Instrument is rented from the school

Additional Materials: Standard of Excellence Enhanced Book 1, size 11 mouthpiece or equivalent (optional first year, required second year), rotor oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, polish cloth, music stand (optional)

Baritone Horn

Instrument is rented from the school

Additional Materials: Standard of Excellence Enhanced Book 1, size 6 1/2AL mouthpiece or equivalent (optional first year, required second year), Ultra-Pure valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, polish cloth, music stand (optional)

Tuba

Instrument is rented from the school

Additional Materials: Standard of Excellence Enhanced Book 1, size 18 mouthpiece or equivalent (optional first year, required second year), Ultra-Pure valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, polish cloth, music stand (optional)

Percussion

Approved Brands: Ludwig or CB percussion kit

Additional Materials: Fresh Approach to the Snare Drum, Fresh Approach to Mallet Percussion, 5A or TX747 drumsticks (in addition to those included in perc kit), music stand (optional) [SOE Bk 2: Varsity & SympH Perc]