

Gulf Breeze Elementary 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: Essential Elements Interactive Book 1 for Flute, cleaning/tuning rod, cleaning swab, polish cloth, music stand (to be kept at home for proper practice)

Clarinet

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

Additional Materials: Essential Elements Interactive Book 1 for Clarinet, 6 Vandoren strength 2 ½ reeds, reedguard, cork grease, silk cleaning swab, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, music stand (to be kept at home for proper practice)

Alto Saxophone

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

Additional Materials: Essential Elements Interactive Book 1 for Alto Saxophone, 6 Vandoren strength 2 ½ reeds, reedguard, cork grease, silk cleaning swab, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, music stand (to be kept at home for proper practice)

Trumpet

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

Additional Materials: Essential Elements Interactive Book 1 for Trumpet, Ultra-Pure valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, polish cloth, music stand (to be kept at home for proper practice)

Trombone

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

Additional Materials: Essential Elements Interactive Book 1 for Trombone, size 12C mouthpiece (or equivalent), Rapid Comfort Slide-O-Mix, water spray bottle, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, polish cloth, music stand (to be kept at home for proper practice)

Baritone Horn

Instrument is rented from the school for \$120 annually to help cover cleaning and maintenance costs

Additional Materials: Essential Elements Interactive Book 1 for Baritone Bass Clef, size 6 1/2AL mouthpiece (or equivalent), Ultra-Pure valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, polish cloth, music stand (to be kept at home for proper practice)

Tuba

Instrument is rented from the school for \$120 annually to help cover cleaning and maintenance costs

Additional Materials: Essential Elements Interactive Book 1 for Tuba, size 18 mouthpiece (or equivalent), Ultra-Pure valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, polish cloth, music stand (to be kept at home for proper practice)

Percussion

Approved Brands: Ludwig, Pearl, or Yamaha drum and bell kit (snare drum, bells, practice pad, floor stand, sticks, mallets)

Additional Materials: Essential Elements Interactive Book 1 for Percussion