

Bellview 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, Bundy (original, by Selmer), Eastman, Emerson, Gemeinhardt, Jupiter, Selmer, Yamaha

Additional Materials: Essential Elements Book 1, cleaning/tuning rod, cleaning swab, polish cloth, and music stand

Clarinet

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

Additional Materials: Essential Elements Book 1, Yamaha 4C mouthpiece (recommended), 4 Rico #2 ½ reeds, reedguard, cork grease, cleaning swab, polish cloth, and music stand

Alto Saxophone

Approved Brands: Armstrong, Buffet, Bundy (original, by Selmer), Conn, Eastman, Jupiter, Keilwerth, King, Selmer, Vito, Yamaha

Additional Materials: Essential Elements Book 1, Yamaha 4C mouthpiece (recommended), 4 Rico #2 ½ reeds, reedguard, cork grease, cleaning swab, polish cloth, and music stand

Trumpet

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

Additional Materials: Essential Elements 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, Eastman, Getzen, Holton, Jupiter, King, Yamaha

Additional Materials: Essential Elements Book 1, size 12C mouthpiece (or equivalent), Rapid Comfort Slide-O-Mix, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, polish cloth, and music stand

French Horn

Instrument is rented from the school

Additional Materials: Essential Elements Book 1, size 11 mouthpiece (or equivalent), rotor oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece pouch, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, and music stand

Baritone Horn / Euphonium

Instrument is rented from the school

Additional Materials: Essential Elements Book 1, size 6 1/2AL mouthpiece (or equivalent), valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece pouch, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, and music stand

Tuba

Instrument is rented from the school

Additional Materials: Essential Elements Book 1, size 18 mouthpiece (or equivalent), valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece pouch, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, and music stand

Percussion

Approved Brands: Ludwig, Pearl, or Yamaha percussion kit (bells, tunable practice pad, floor stand, sticks, mallets)

Additional Materials: Essential Elements Book 1, IP-LD sticks, IP F12 mallets, music stand