

Gulf Breeze Elementary School Band
2023-2024

**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)

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)

Baritone/Euphonium

Instrument is rented from the school for \$100 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)

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**