

East Bay K-8

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 very 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.

Habits of a Successful Beginning Band Musician is included in the band fees

Flute

Approved Brands: Amadeus, Armstrong, Artley, Buffet, Emerson, Gemeinhardt, Jupiter, Yamaha

Additional Materials: Cleaning/tuning rod, cleaning swab, polish cloth, and music stand (optional)

Clarinet

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

Additional Materials: 6 Vandoren #2 ½ reeds, reedguard, cork grease, silk cleaning swab, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, and music stand (optional)

Alto Saxophone

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

Additional Materials: Vandoren #2 ½ reeds, reedguard, cork grease, silk cleaning swab, mouthpiece brush, neckstrap, polish cloth, and music stand (optional)

Trumpet

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

Additional Materials: Size 5C mouthpiece (or equivalent), Ultra-Pure valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, polish cloth, straight mute (optional), and music stand (optional)

Trombone

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

Additional Materials: Size 12C mouthpiece (or equivalent), Slide-O-Mix Rapid Comfort, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, polish cloth, and music stand (optional)

French Horn

Instrument is rented from the school

Additional Materials: Size 11 mouthpiece (optional first year, required second), Ultra-Pure valve oil, tuning slide grease, snake brush, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, and music stand (optional)

Baritone Horn / Euphonium

Instrument is rented from the school. Mouthpiece included in rental fee.

Additional Materials: Ultra-Pure valve oil, tuning slide grease, snake brush, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, and music stand (optional)

Tuba

Instrument is rented from the school. Mouthpiece included in rental fee.

Additional Materials: Size 18 mouthpiece (optional first year, required second), Ultra-Pure valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, polish cloth, and music stand (optional)

Percussion

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

Additional Materials: 5A or TX747 drumsticks (in addition to those included in perc kit), and music stand (optional)