



BEGINNING BAND GUIDELINES



CLARINET GUIDELINES

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Your student will need:

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- A quality clarinet (see recommended brands below)
- *Essential Elements*, book 1, clarinet book
- Music stand for home practice
- Pencil in instrument case
- Cleaning swab—silk preferred
- Mouthpiece brush
- 10 Rico 2.5 reeds
- Cork Grease
- Rovner Dark ligature
- Clark Fobes Debut Student B-flat Clarinet Mouthpiece
- Thumb Rest
- Neck strap (optional)

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Acceptable clarinet brands in order of preference:

- Yamaha (most preferred)
- Buffet
- LeBlanc Vito
- Selmer Bundy (not ideal)
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FLUTE GUIDELINES

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- A quality flute (see recommended brands below)
- Solexa Thumbport (optional, but highly recommended)
- *Essential Elements*, book 1, flute book
- Music stand for home practice
- Pencil
- Cleaning swab—silk is best
- Tuning stick

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- Yamaha (most preferred)
- DiZhao
- Azumi
- Armstrong
- Artley
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PERCUSSION GUIDELINES

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- A snare drum pad or putty and a bell kit
- 2 pairs of Vic Firth general or 5A drum sticks
- Rubber bell mallets
- Plastic bell mallets
- *Essential Elements*, book 1, snare and bell book
- Music stand for home practice
- Pencil in instrument case
- Metronome and Tuner
- A demonstrated understanding of piano and/or three months of keyboard lessons. This is not required but helps a great deal. Please utilize free online resources over the summer.

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- A quality alto or tenor saxophone (see recommended brands below)
- *Essential Elements*, book 1, alto saxophone book
- Music stand for home practice
- Pencil in instrument case
- Alto Saxophone Silk Swab
- Mouthpiece brush
- 10 Rico 2.5 reeds
- Cork Grease
- Rovner Dark ligature for Alto Saxophone
- Yamaha 4C mouthpiece
- Cushioned neck strap

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Acceptable tenor and alto sax brands in order of preference:

- Yamaha (most preferred)
- Cleveland/King
- Selmer
- Conn
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TROMBONE GUIDELINES

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- A quality trombone (see recommended brands below)
- *Essential Elements*, book 1, trombone book
- Music stand for home practice
- Pencil in instrument case
- Trombone Care Kit (cleaning snake, mouthpiece brush, spray bottle, and slide grease or oil)
- 12C Bach Mouthpiece (there are other good brands, but please talk to the band director first before purchasing)

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Acceptable trombone brands in order of preference:

- Yamaha (most preferred)
- King
- Holton
- Conn
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TRUMPET GUIDELINES

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- A quality trumpet (see recommended brands below)
- *Essential Elements*, book 1, trumpet book
- Music stand for home practice
- Pencil in instrument case
- Trumpet Care Kit (cleaning snake, mouthpiece brush, valve brush, valve oil, and slide grease)
- 7C Bach Mouthpiece (there are other good brands, but please talk to the band director first before purchasing)

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Acceptable trumpet brands in order of preference:

- Bach (most preferred)
- Yamaha
- King
- Conn
- Blessing
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TUBA GUIDELINES

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- A quality tuba (provided by CCS or the band director)
- *Essential Elements*, book 1, tuba book
- Music stand for home practice
- Pencil in instrument case
- Tuba Care Kit (cleaning snake, mouthpiece brush, valve brush, valve oil, and slide grease)
- Helleberg silver standard mouthpiece

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