

Supplies Needed – 6th Grade Beginning Band

Every student is responsible for providing the following supplies for beginning band class by **August 28th, 2024**:

- 1) **Instrument** – Flute, Clarinet, Alto Sax, Trumpet, Trombone, or Baritone (do not rent/buy until the start of week 2 8/19)
- 2) **Portable Music Stand** (optional- for practice at home)
- 3) **Pocket Folder (plastic works best)** (used to hold band book, worksheets, and additional sheet music)
- 4) **Pack of Pencils** (always keep a pencil in your instrument case, we will use them daily!)
- 5) **Additional Accessories** for individual instrument:

Flute

-Cleaning rod (normally included with instrument)
 -Flute Swab for rod (any rectangular piece of cotton is fine)
 -Polishing cloth

Clarinet/Saxophone

-1 Box Reeds, Rico brand- strength 3
 -Cleaning Swab
 -Cork Grease
 Neck Strap & Polishing cloth (sax only)

Trumpet/Baritone

-Valve Oil
 -Polishing Cloth

Trombone

-Slide Oil Spray
 -Polishing Cloth

Intermediate(7th) & Advanced (8th) Band Supplies

Every student is responsible for providing the following supplies for 7th/8th grade band class by **August 19th, 2024**:

- 1) **Instrument** – Flute, Oboe*, Bassoon*, Clarinet, Bass Clarinet, Alto/Tenor/Baritone Sax, Trumpet, French Horn*, Trombone, Baritone, Tuba* or Percussion* (* = by special permission only)
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Double

**Reeds/Clarinet/Bass Clarinet/
 Saxophones**
 -Reeds 1 box of 2.5 hardness Vandoren or 3 hardness Rico Royal
 -Cleaning Swab (Bass Cl & Bari Sax- swab included with rental)
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Trumpet/French Horn/ Baritone/Tuba

-Valve Oil (Rotor oil for horn)
 -Polishing Cloth

Percussion

Must submit rental application and pay a rental fee of \$50. This includes instrument use, a percussion kit and one pair of drum sticks.

Trombone

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Band Instrument Rental/Purchase Procedures 2024-2025

Rental/Purchase Options:

- **Rent-to-own from a local music store (or online).** Approximate Prices: \$30-45/month for flute, clarinet, trumpet, and trombone. Saxes and larger instruments are around \$50-80/month. (Some pricing can be found on the band website)
- **Purchase from a local music store or online (do not recommend this option for beginners).** **DO NOT BUY FROM AMAZON- instruments are cheap but WILL break quickly! I will not help fix it.** If you are going to purchase, Mr. Myers is happy to give input about instrument quality and price. Remember- you get what you pay for!
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