

2017-18 RRISD Recommended Beginner Band Instruments

Cedar Valley Middle School Edition

The appropriate instrument choice, including brand, model, mouthpiece and accessories, is important for your child's success and enjoyment. This recommended list is based on an extensive comparison of available beginner instruments by the specialists on the RRISD band staff, with special consideration of affordability, ease of playing, tone, pitch, and durability.

We ask that do not accept any substitutions of mouthpieces or accessories from this list from dealers without consulting with your child's band teacher. Please keep all receipts in the event that some item or accessory might need to be returned.

ALL Students:

- *Standards of Excellence Book 1 and 2* for your instrument UNLESS you are chosen to play percussion.
- Pocket Metronome –**Korg TM 50** Tuner with clip on contact microphone OR **Tonal Energy/Cleartune** app installed on phone with clip on microphone & **Peterson** adapter cable.
- Folding Music Stand
- Black 1.5 inch binder with pencil pouch, page protectors and six mechanical pencils

ALL Woodwind Students:

- Swabs for woodwind instruments (silk preferred - lasts longer and does not get stuck in instrument)
- Tuning rod for flute
- One box of **Vandoren** 2.5 reeds for clarinets and saxophones, 3 medium-soft reeds for oboes and bassoons
- **Rico** reed case for clarinets and saxophones
- **Hodge** reed case for oboes and bassoons reed, to hold at least two or three working reeds
- Thumb rest cushion for oboes and clarinets
- **Runyon/Vandoren** teeth and mouthpiece saver for clarinets and saxophones
- Neck strap for alto saxophones and clarinets
- Cork grease (not needed for flutes)

ALL Brass Students:

- BERP
- Mouthpiece brush, cleaning snake, polish cloth
- **Blue Juice** valve oil (piston valve) and **Holton** rotary oil /**Schilke** tuning slide grease/ **Trombonetine** slide cream and spray bottle for trombones

ALL Percussion Students: you will receive book/supply list through email when all band placements are done

WOODWIND INSTRUMENTS

FLUTE

- Yamaha Standard Model YFL 261H or 281H (offset G)
- Yamaha Intermediate Open-Hole YFL 361 H or 381H (offset G)
- Yamaha YFL Intermediate Open-Hole YFL 461H or 481H (offset G)

CLARINET (*With **Rovner** Ligature and **Vandoren 5RV Lyre** mouthpiece*)

- Buffet E-11
- Yamaha YCL-450NM

SAXOPHONE (*With **Vandoren Optimum AL3** mouthpiece and **Rovner** Ligature*)

- Yamaha YAS-26 or Yamaha YAS-23 or YAS-200 Advantage
- Selmer AS500 or AS300
- Selmer AS 32 (intermediate level instrument)
- Buffet BC8101

BRASS INSTRUMENTS

MOUTPIECES to be purchased by students playing school-owned wind instruments:

- **French Horn:** Holton MDC
- **Euphonium:** Schilke 51D
- **Tuba:** Conn Helleberg 7B

TRUMPET (*with **Bach 5B** mouthpiece*)

- Yamaha YTR 4335GII (may not be available for rental at all stores)
- Yamaha YTR 2335 or Yamaha TR200AD (similar to 2335 but in different case)
- Bach TR300H
- Bach TR300H2
- Jupiter JTR 700
- Getzen 590 (may not be available for rental at all stores)
- Andreas Eastman ETR420

TROMBONE (*With **Bach 6 1/2AL** mouthpiece*)

Trombone with F attachment:

- Yamaha YSL 446G
- Bach TB200B
- Jupiter 536L

PERCUSSION INSTRUMENTS

METHOD BOOKS

- 1) A FRESH APPROACH TO MALLET PERCUSSION (MARK WESSELS)**
- 2) SIMPLE STEPS TO SUCCESSFUL SNARE DRUMMING (KENNAN WYLIE)**

PERCUSSION - 6 items ALL ITEMS ARE REQUIRED

1. **PRACTICE MARIMBA** (to be used AT HOME for practice)
 - Marimba Warehouse Practice Marimba: 3.0 octave C-C practice marimba with Stand
 - Musser 3PM 3 Octave Practice Marimba

2. **Practice Pad**
 - Offworld Percussion Invader V3

3. **Stand for Practice Pad**
 - Yamaha SS745A Concert Height Snare/Pad Stand,**OR:**
 - Gibraltar 5606EX Extended Height Snare/Pad Stand

4. **Large Stick Bag**
 - Vic Firth, Innovative Percussion, Promark

5. **Concert Snare Drum Sticks**
 - Vic Firth – TG15 (Tom Gauger Model)

6. **Two Pair of Keyboard Mallets**
 - IP275 Innovative Percussion - Medium Hard Legato Marimba Mallets
 - IP902 Innovative Percussion - James Ross Medium Soft Xylo/Bell Mallets

NOTE for Percussionists:

- Parents should not mark on sticks, mallets etc. until the director approves of all equipment rented or purchased.
- Please keep all receipts in the event that purchased items need to be returned to vendor.