

Gulf Breeze Middle School

APPROVED INSTRUMENT GUIDE & SUPPLIES 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.

*** VARSITY BAND will use Habits of a Successful Beginner Band Musician (all instruments) ***

*** SYMPHONIC BAND will use Habits of a Successful Middle School Musician (all instruments) ***

All Instruments: 1/2" black binder with pockets, 10 sheet protectors, pencil

Flute

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

Supplies: Habits of a Successful Beginner Band Musician, cleaning/tuning rod, cleaning swab, polish cloth, music stand

Clarinet

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

Supplies: Habits of a Successful Beginner Band Musician, 4 Vandoren #3 reeds, reedguard, cork grease, silk cleaning swab, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, music stand

Saxophone

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

Supplies: Habits of a Successful Beginner Band Musician, 4 Vandoren #3 reeds, reedguard, cork grease, silk cleaning swab, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, music stand

Trumpet

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

Supplies: Habits of a Successful Beginner Band Musician, size 5C mouthpiece, Ultra-Pure valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, polish cloth, music stand

Trombone

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

Supplies: Habits of a Successful Beginner Band Musician, Yamaha 51 mouthpiece (12C acceptable for first year), Slide-O-Mix Rapid Comfort, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, polish cloth, music stand

French Horn

Instrument is rented from the school

Supplies: Habits of a Successful Beginner Band Musician, size 11 mouthpiece or equivalent, Ultra-Pure valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, polish cloth, music stand

Baritone Horn (Euphonium)

Instrument is rented from the school

Supplies: Habits of a Successful Beginner Band Musician, Yamaha 51D mouthpiece (opt. first year, req. second year), Ultra-Pure valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, polish cloth, music stand

Tuba

Instrument is rented from the school

Supplies: Habits of a Successful Beginner Band Musician, Conn-Helleberg 120S mouthpiece (opt. first year, req. second year), Ultra-Pure valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, snake brush, polish cloth, music stand

Percussion

Approved Brands: Yamaha, Ludwig, or Mapex percussion kit (bars with NO engraved note names preferred)

Supplies: A Fresh Approach for the Beginning Percussion Class Book 1, SD1 drumsticks (in addition to those included in perc kit), music stand