

King Middle School

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 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.

Wind instrument students must have the book Habits of a Successful Beginner Band Musician for their instrument. Percussion students must have A Fresh Approach for the Beginning Percussion Class bk. 1.

Flute

Preferred Brands: Pearl, Trevor James, Yamaha

Approved Brands: Amadeus, Armstrong, Artley, Buffet, Eastman, Emerson, Gemeinhardt, Selmer

Additional Materials: Cleaning/tuning rod, padsaver, polish cloth, and music stand

Clarinet

Preferred Brands: Buffet, Selmer, Yamaha

Approved Brands: Armstrong, Artley, Backun, Eastman, Leblanc, Vito

Additional Materials: 6 Vandoren #2½ reeds, reedguard, cork grease, silk cleaning swab, polish cloth, and music stand

Saxophone

Preferred Brands: Selmer, Yamaha

Approved Brands: Armstrong, Conn, Eastman, King, Vito

Additional Materials: 6 Vandoren #2½ reeds, reedguard, cork grease, silk cleaning swab, polish cloth, neck strap, and music stand

Trumpet

Preferred Brands: Bach, Yamaha

Approved Brands: Conn, Eastman, Getzen, Holton, King

Additional Materials: 7C mouthpiece (or equivalent), valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, and music stand

Trombone

Preferred Brands: Holton, Yamaha

Approved Brands: Bach, Conn, Eastman, Getzen, King

Additional Materials: 12C mouthpiece (or equivalent), handslide oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, and music stand

French Horn – Instrument is rented from the school

Additional Materials: Rotor oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, and music stand

Baritone Horn – Instrument is rented from the school

Additional Materials: Valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, and music stand

Tuba – Instrument is rented from the school

Additional Materials: Valve oil, tuning slide grease, mouthpiece brush, polish cloth, and music stand

Percussion

Approved Brands: Ludwig, Pearl, or Yamaha drum & bell kit (includes snare drum, bells, tunable practice pad, floor stand, sticks, mallets)

Additional Materials: music stand