

Bradley Middle School Band Program Instrument Information

It is very important that your child have an instrument that is of good quality and in good repair in order to be successful in band. This sheet will help guide you in obtaining an instrument that will be right for your child.

School-owned instruments*

OBOE, BASSOON, BASS CLARINET, FRENCH HORN, BARITONE, TUBA

Supplies needed for school instruments:

Oboe: Swab, reed case, small container to soak reeds (size of film container) and 3 reeds (medium)

Bassoon: Reed case, small container to soak reeds, and 3 reeds (medium)

Bass Clarinet: Selmer C* mouthpiece, ligature, cap, four reeds (Vandoren 2.5) and reed case

French Horn: Holton Farkas MC Mouthpiece and a B.E.R.P.

Baritone: Schilke 51D Mouthpiece with pouch and a B.E.R.P.

Tuba: Helleberg 7B with pouch and a B.E.R.P.

***STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO OWN THEIR OWN MOUTHPIECES FOR SANITARY REASONS.**

The other instruments are best rented from a music store on a rental/purchase agreement. The rent varies, depending on whether the instrument is new or used and the value of the instrument. In general, prices will range from \$20 per month for used and up to \$45 for new. Alto Saxophones are much higher.

Instruments that should be rented or purchased*

FLUTE, CLARINET, ALTO SAX, TRUMPET, TROMBONE, PERCUSSION

The following brands and/or models are **strongly** recommended:

FLUTE: Open-holed model, Yamaha (YFL-361H or 361), the YFL-281 is also acceptable. (Flutes should have plugs for the holes.) Silk swab, pad paper, and tuning rod are also required.

CLARINET: Yamaha (YCL450N), Buffet (E11), Selmer (CLSOL310 or CL201) only. Clarinets **must** have a **Vandoren 5RV Lyre** mouthpiece (this mouthpiece must be substituted for the stock mouthpiece included) and at least 4 reeds (**Vandoren 2 ½**) and a reed case. Students should also have a mouthpiece brush and a silk swab.

ALTO SAX: Yamaha Model YAS-23 or the YAS200AD. Saxophones must have a **Selmer C*** mouthpiece with a **Rovner Ligature** and at least 4 reeds (**Vandoren 2 ½**) and a reed case. All saxophone students must have a neck strap as well as a pad saver type swab.

TRUMPET: Yamaha YTR2335 with trumpet hook, a 5C mouthpiece, a B.E.R.P. and a cleaning kit. No cornets please.

TROMBONE: Yamaha YSL 354 or King (606). A Benge or Bach 6 ½ AL mouthpiece, a B.E.R.P., trombotine slide cream is needed as well as a small spray bottle. Get a cleaning snake

PERCUSSION: Vic Firth V8706 percussion kit with a **full bell set, drum pad and stand**. The **Innovative Percussion College Primer Pack (FP-3)** is also required

All students are required to have **Essential Elements 2000 Band Method, Book 1(Gold), and the **Division of Beat Book 1A**(brown) for their instrument. A practice CD comes with the **Essential Elements** book. For home practice we also recommend a music stand and pocket metronome.*

*** Percussion students will need **A Fresh Approach to Snare Drum**, **A Fresh Approach to Mallets** by Mark Wessels, **The WOW Rhythm Primer**, and **WOW Reader Melodies** by Walter White in addition to the **Essential Elements 2000 Band Method, Book 1, and Division of Beat Book 1A**. (Six Books Total)*

Music Stores to Purchase or Rent Instruments and Instrument supplies

High School Music Service

2121 NW Military Hwy
SAT 78213
(210) 349-2775

Hillje Music

18130 San Pedro Ave Ste 116
San Antonio, TX 78232
(210) 545-3131

Music and Arts

7325 San Pedro Ave Ste 105
San Antonio, TX 78216
(210) 340-0953

or

8206 Agora Pkwy Ste 110
Selma, TX 78154
(210) 566-1920

Music Stores to Purchase sheet music and music books

RBC Music

4415 Centerview
SAT 78228-1403
(210) 736-6902