

OVERTURE BAND PROGRAMS, INC.

SETTING THE STANDARDS FOR LIFE LEARNING

Recommended Instrument Brands & Supply List

Recommended instrument brands are based on quality of manufacturing, durability and tone quality.

Flutes: *Gemeindhart, Armstrong or Yamaha*

- Cleaning cloth (bandana, rag, etc)
- Polishing cloth for the outside of the flute.

Oboes: *Selmer*

- Cleaning swab
- Reeds (at least 2 medium soft Jones, Emerald, or Leshar brand)

Clarinets: *Wood: Normandy (LeBlanc or Noblet), Selmer or Yamaha*

Plastic: Yamaha, Vito or Selmer

Mouthpiece: Yamaha 4C

- Handkerchief Cleaning swab
- Cork grease
- Mouthpiece brush
- Reed guard
- Reeds (at least five, strength #2½ VanDoren or Rico Royal brands preferred).

Saxophones: *Yamaha or Selmer*

Mouthpiece: Yamaha 4C

- Handkerchief cleaning swab
- Mouthpiece brush
- Cork grease
- Reed guard
- Reeds (at least five, #2½ VanDoren or Rico Royal brands preferred).

Trumpet, Horn, Baritone, Tuba: *Bach, Yamaha, Getzen, King or Holton*

Mouthpiece: Tpt - Bach 7C,

Horn - Farkas med/deep cup

- Valve oil
- Slide grease
- Mouthpiece brush
- Cleaning snake
- Polishing cloth

Trombone: *Bach, Yamaha or King*

Mouthpiece: Bach 12C

- Slide grease
- Slide Cream
- Small spray bottle of water
- Mouthpiece brush
- Cleaning snake
- Polishing cloth

Percussion:

- Percussion kit with bells and a practice pad and/or snare drum with stand
- Sticks size 5A or 5B

All students:

- Lesson book specified by their band director
- Pencil to be kept in their case and brought to each lesson and group band rehearsal
- A music stand is optional, however it is recommended for home practice.

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