

Stafford Intermediate School Band

Recommended Instrument List for Beginners

The Recommendations for specific brand names listed below have been arrived at years of evaluation and teaching experience. The choices have been made on the basis of playing quality, overall workmanship, durability, tone quality, and pitch accuracy. Used instruments that are warranted by a reputable music company (and equipped with the required accessories) are certainly acceptable. **For your protection and the overall success of your new band student, other used or new instruments should be checked by the band director prior to the school year to insure they are in good playing condition or repairable.** If you can purchase a Korg Tuner and a wire stand that would be very helpful to your child.

Woodwind Instruments

Flutes

Make/Model: Yamaha YFL281S,
Armstrong 103, Jupiter CF500,
Accessories: Silk Swab, Tuning Rod, 5Plugs
for open hole

Clarinet

Make/Model: Buffet E-11, Yamaha YCL
400AD, Jupiter CC650
Mouthpiece: Vandoren 5RV Lyre, or Debut
by Clark W. Fobes
Reeds: Vandoren #3 – one Box
Accessories, Cork grease, Mouthpiece cap,
Silk Swab

Saxophone

Make /Model: Yamaha YAS-23, Jupiter
CAS70
Mouthpiece: Selmer C star with Rovner
ligature, Debut
Reeds: Vandoren #2 ½ - one Box
Accessories: Reed Case, Sax Swab, Kit,
Mouthpiece Cap, Cork Grease

Percussion

Percussion Kit: Mapex
(practice pad a bells)
Stafford accessory pack.

Percussion Students need book

A Fresh Approach to Mallet Percussion
By Mark Wessels

Fresh Approach to Snare Drum
By Mark Wessels

Brass Instruments

Trumpet

Make/ Model: Bach TR300 trumpet,
Yamaha YTR 2335, King 601WTH, Jupiter
Mouthpiece: 5C
Accessories: Valve Oil, Polish Cloth

Trombone

Make/ Model: Bach TB300, Yamaha
YSL354, King 606, Jupiter
Mouthpiece: 5G (small shank)
Accessories: Trombone Cream, miniature
water spray bottle, Polish Cloth

F-Horn

Make/ Model: from School
Mouthpiece: Farkas Model H2850 MDC
Accessories: Rotary Oil

Baritone/Euphonium

Make/ Model: from School
Mouthpiece: Bach 5G (small shank)
Accessories: Valve Oil

Tuba

Make/ Model: from School
Mouthpiece: Conn Hellenberg with pouch
Accessories: Valve Oil

All Band Students need:
Essential Elements book for their
instrument except percussion.