

McCleskey Middle School Band

2019-2020 Materials List for 7th & 8th Grade Band Members

Seventh Grade Band Books:

- ⇒ *Sound Innovations* book from 6th grade
- ⇒ *Winning Rhythms* by Edward L. Ayola

Eighth Grade Band Books:

- ⇒ *Winning Rhythms* by Edward L. Ayola

NOTE: YOU MAY USE YOUR BOOK FROM 7TH GRADE

- ⇒ Tuner, metronome, and music stand for home practice (there are many smart phone apps!)
- ⇒ One box of Kleenex to donate to the band room.
- ⇒ You will need a pencil for class each day.
- ⇒ Students will need to provide their own supplies for their instruments. Make sure you have plenty of reeds (4 at all times), valve oil, and appropriate cleaning accessories. Remember that regular preventative maintenance of band instruments will result in fewer repair bills later.
- ⇒ Students who use school-owned instruments must have their own mouthpieces and cleaning supplies. For sanitary/health reasons, the school will not provide mouthpieces for students to share. Never leave any personal items including reeds and mouthpieces in your school-owned instrument case. We cannot be responsible for lost or stolen items.
- ⇒ Sometime during 7th or 8th grade, students should be considering step-up or professional line instruments. Instruments purchased for beginning band are appropriate for the first stages, but may not produce the same tone quality as a reputable advanced instrument. Parents should check with the band directors or private teachers for suggestions. Please do not purchase instruments without talking to the band directors first.

Oboe and bassoon

Handmade reeds from a professional oboist or bassoonist
Reed keeper for 4 or more reeds

B-flat Clarinet

Vandoren 5RV lyre mouthpiece
Rovner dark ligature
Vandoren 3 or 3 ½ reeds
Reed keeper for 4 or more reeds

Bass Clarinet

Vandoren B-45 mouthpiece
Rovner dark ligature
Vandoren 3 reeds
Reed keeper for 4 or more reeds

Contra Alto Clarinet in EE-flat

Bundy 3 mouthpiece
Rovner dark ligature for contrabass clarinet
Vandoren 3 reeds
Reed keeper for 4 or more reeds

Alto, Tenor, and Bari Saxophone

Rascher or Caravan mouthpiece
Rovner dark ligature
Vandoren 3 reeds
Reed keeper for 4 or more reeds

Trumpet

Bach 3C mouthpiece
Tom Crown straight mute

Horn

Holton Farkas DC mouthpiece

Trombone and Baritone

Bach 6 ½ AL mouthpiece

Tuba

Bach 24 AW mouthpiece

Percussion

See the back of this sheet

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Percussion Equipment List

In addition, it is recommended that each percussionist obtain a stick/mallet bag that will allow you to add new sticks and mallets as you obtain them. Most music stores offer these items in a package.

ALL equipment should be labeled with the student's name, stored in a mallet bag, and kept in the locker.

Each student needs:

- A stick or mallet bag (Vic Firth SBAG2 or the equivalent)
- A pair of snare sticks (Vic Firth SD1 General--no substitutions, please!)
- A pair of bell/xylophone mallets (Balter 92R hard lexan mallet or the equivalent)
- A pair of marimba mallets (Vic Firth M-183 multi-application marimba mallet or the equivalent)
- A pair of timpani mallets (Vic Firth T1 General Timpani mallets or the equivalent)
- A pair of vibraphone mallets (Balter 23R Medium blue cord mallets or the equivalent)
- A pad or snare drum for home practice
- A small bell set for home practice

Optional equipment to fill out your bag and prepare for high school:

- Pitch pipe (Master Key MK2-C)
- Triangle beaters
- Additional timpani mallets (Vic Firth T2, T3 or the equivalent)
- Additional marimba mallets (you should have a variety; you will eventually need two pairs of each)
- Additional vibraphone mallets (Balter 22R, Balter 24R)
- Additional bell mallets (Innovative Percussion IP 907 brass)
- Additional xylophone mallets (Innovative Percussion IP 902 medium soft)