

“Pride & Care” of Instrument & Required Materials

The Buhler Instrumental Team recommends instrument check-ups or maintenance every six to nine months to ensure high performance levels. Students are easily discouraged when an instrument does not respond properly due to needed repairs.

Students are required to have the following:

- **PENCIL**
- A luggage tag with strap attached to the instrument case
- A music flip folder & instrument lyre for marching band (7th & 8th grade only)
(students using school owned instruments are not required to purchase a lyre)
- Method Books
 - 6th Grade** – Essential Elements – Book 1 & Essential Elements – Book 2
 - 7th Grade** – Essential Elements – Book 2 & Essential Technique – Book 3
 - 8th Grade** – Essential Technique – Book 3

Students are required to have the following for their instrument:

Flutes	Tuning/Cleaning Rod Cleaning Cloth	
Clarinets/Saxophones	Cork Grease Swab 4 playable reeds (see director for recommended reed strength) <ul style="list-style-type: none">*Clarinets – Vandoren*Saxophones – Vandoren Reed Guard Cleaning Cloth Mouthpiece & Cap <ul style="list-style-type: none">*Clarinets – Vandoren 5RVlyre*Saxophones – Selmer C* Rovner “Dark” Ligature	
Oboes/Bassoons	Cork Grease Silk Swabs 3 – 4 playable reeds (see director for recommended reed strength) Reed Case Cleaning Cloth Container for water	
Trumpets	Valve Oil Tuning Slide Grease Cleaning Cloth Bach 3C mouthpiece “Tom Crown” Straight Mute (recommended)	
Trombones	Slide Cream or Trombontine Small water bottle Tuning Slide Grease Cleaning Cloth Bach 6 ½ AL mouthpiece	
French Horns/Baritones/Tubas	Cleaning Cloth Valve Oil (Baritones & Tubas); Rotary Oil (French Horns) Tuning Slide Grease **Personal mouthpiece for school owned instruments recommended	
Percussion		
6th Grade	7th Grade	8th Grade
Vic Firth Standard Stick Bag	Vic Firth Standard Stick Bag	Vic Firth Standard Stick Bag
Concert Snare: Vic Firth SD1	Concert Snare: Vic Firth SD1	Concert Snare: Vic Firth SD1
Bells: Vic Firth M140	Bells: Vic Firth M140	Bells: Vic Firth M140
Marimba: Vic Firth M171	Marimba: Vic Firth M171	Marimba: Vic Firth M171 (2 sets)
	Timpani: Vic Firth T1	Timpani: Vic Firth T1