PJHS BAND
INSTRUMENT AND ACCESSORY UPGRADE LIST

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If your son/daughter is still playing on the same equipment that he/she played on as a beginner, then there is a good chance that the equipment is holding him/her back from being able to achieve maximum success in band. The equipment listed below is vital as the student grows into the stage of intermediate musician and especially as the student makes the transition to high school band.

"Beginner model equipment" or items not recommended by a band director can negatively affect your child's ability. Please review this list with your child and compare it to the equipment currently being used. If you are interested in purchasing any of the items listed, or if you have any additional questions, please contact us. Before any instrument or brass mouthpiece is purchased, please try it out first (in front of a director if possible).

If your child is taking private lessons, the lesson teach is likely a very good source of information and we recommend you discuss your child's current equipment and a possible step-up equipment with that teacher.

***** All students should own a folding music stand for home practice and should own a metronome that also serves as a tuner. We love the Tonal Energy App. We also recommend the Korg TM-70. *****

FLUTE
Minimum Requirements for PJHS Students:
Open holed flute. Yamaha 262 is the recommended brand. Tuning Rod and Silk Swab.
Recommended Step-Up Instruments:
All instruments should be open hole flutes, have an offset G key, and have a low B foot joint.
Yamaha 461, 577
Powell Sonare 501, 705
Trevor James Virtuoso
Miyazawa 202, 402
Additional Recommended Supplies:
Tuning rod (make sure the tuning rod you have is the same brand as the flute)
Silk Swab

OBOE AND BASSOON
Minimum Requirements for PJHS Students:
Bocal Majority handmade reeds recommended. Store bought reeds (machine made) will not allow for our students to perform their best. All students must have a prescription canister for water, reed case, and swab.
Recommended Step-Up Supplies:
High quality handmade reeds. Because they are handmade (not just hand finished), these reeds can be expensive, but they make a huge difference in sound quality. If interested, speak with a director about finding someone who makes reeds. You can also consider Legere synthetic reeds which can last for a very long time and can be played on every day.

CLARINET

Minimum Requirements for PJHS Students:
Wood clarinet. Buffet E-11 is the recommended brand. 5RV Lyre mouthpiece with a Bonade Inverted Ligature. Silk Swab, reed case, and cork grease.
Recommended Step-Up Instruments:
All instruments should be wooden, but keep your older instrument for marching band
Buffet R-13
Additional Recommended Supplies:
Vandoren 5RV Lyre or M13 Lyre Mouthpiece
'Flip open' style reed case
Vandoren M/O Series Ligature
Vandoren or Vandoren V12 reeds

ALTO SAXOPHONE

Minimum Requirements for PJHS Students:
Yamaha YAS-26 is the recommended brand. Vandoren Optimum AL3 Mouthpiece, Bonade inverted ligature. Silk swab, reed case, and cork grease.
Recommended Step-Up Instruments:
Yamaha YAS-875EX
Selmer Series II
Selmer Series III
Additional Recommended Supplies:
Vandoren M/O Series Ligature or BG Super Revelation ligature
'Flip open' style reed case
Vandoren or Vandoren V12 reeds

TRUMPET

Minimum Requirements for PJHS Students:
Yamaha YTR 2330 is the recommended brand. No 7C mouthpieces! 5C mouthpiece recommended. All students must have valve oil and tuning slide grease.
Recommended Step-Up Instruments:
Bach Stradivarius 180S
Yamaha Xeno 8335
Additional Recommended Supplies:
Bach 5C or 3C mouthpiece

FRENCH HORN

Recommended Supplies:
Farkas MDC Mouthpiece
Giardinelli C10 Mouthpiece (or copy)
Giardinelli C8 Mouthpiece (or copy)
Valve Oil and Rotor Oil

TROMBONE

Minimum Requirements for PJHS Students:

Yamaha YSL 354 is the recommended brand. No 12C mouthpieces! Schilke 50 or 6 ½ AL mouthpiece recommended. All students must have a spray bottle, tuning slide grease, and slide cream.

Recommended Step-Up Instruments: All should have the F Attachment

Conn 88 HO
Bach 42BO

Additional Recommended Supplies:

Bach 5G Mouthpiece
Dennis Wick 5AL Mouthpiece

EUPHONIUM

Minimum Requirements for PJHS Students:

Scholke 50 or 6 ½ AL mouthpiece. All students must have valve oil and tuning slide grease.

Recommended Supplies:

Schilke 51D Mouthpiece
Dennis Wick SM4 Mouthpiece

TUBA

Recommended Supplies:

Standard Helleberg 120 Mouthpiece
Valve Oil and Tuning Slide Grease

PERCUSSION

Minimum Requirements for PJHS Students:

A large stick bag
Snare Sticks: IP-LD
Bell/Xylophone Mallets: IP902 or SAL-PCX11
Marimba Mallets: IPCGL-4 or SAL-E20 or IP3105B
Vibraphone Mallets IP RS251 or Balter 23R
Timpani Mallets: IP GTX-5
Home practice pad with stand and practice keyboard

Recommended Supplies (in addition to those listed above):

Snare Sticks: Cooperman #5 Nick Petrella
Marimba Mallets: Have a set of 4 of an option above
Expand your selection of other mallets