



River Hill High School Bands

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INSTRUMENT RECOMMENDATIONS & ACCESSORY REQUIREMENTS

TUNER

Recommended Brand: Korg (CA30)

METRONOME

Recommended Brand: Boss (Dr. Beat DB88, DB66, DB12), Tama (Rhythm Watch), Korg (BeatLab)

PICCOLO

Recommended Brand: Yamaha (YPC62) for indoor use (YPC32) for outdoor use

REQUIRED Accessories: Cleaning Rod, Cleaning Cloth

Recommended Accessories: N/A

FLUTE

Recommended Brand: Yamaha (YFL381 w/B foot)

REQUIRED Accessories: Cleaning Rod, Cleaning Cloth

Recommended Accessories: N/A

OBOE

Recommended Brand: Fox-Renard, Loree

Recommended Reeds: Hand-Made (Do not purchase from music store.-See Director for info!)

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REQUIRED Accessories: Cork Grease, Silk Swab, Reed Case, Water Container, 4 good reeds!

Recommended Accessories: Reed tools (If you are studying privately!)

Bb SOPRANO CLARINET

Recommended Brand: Buffet (R13 or E11), Yamaha (YCL64 or YCL52)

Recommended Mouthpiece: Vandoren (B45)

Recommended Ligature: Rovner (Dark or Eddie Daniels)

Recommended Reeds: Vandoren (2 ½, 3, 3 ½, 4)

REQUIRED Accessories: Cork Grease, Swab, Reed Saver, Mouthpiece Cap, 4 good reeds!

Recommended Accessories: N/A

Bb BASS CLARINET

Recommended Brand: Buffet (), Vito ()

Recommended Mouthpiece: Vandoren (B45)

Recommended Ligature: Rovner (Dark or Eddie Daniels)

Recommended Reeds: Vandoren (2 ½, 3, 3 ½, 4)

REQUIRED Accessories: Cork Grease, Swab, Reed Saver, Mouthpiece Cap, 4 good reeds!

Recommended Accessories: N/A

BASSOON

Recommended Brand: Fox Renard, Heckle

Recommended Reeds: Hand-Made (Do not purchase from music store.-See Director for info!)

REQUIRED Accessories: Seat Strap, Crutch, Silk Swab, Parrafin (Cork Grease), 4 good reeds!

Recommended Accessories:

Bb SOPRANO SAXOPHONE

Recommended Brand: Selmer (Series II, Series III), Yamaha (YSS Custom)

Recommended Mouthpiece: Selmer C* (S90 or S80), Selmer C** (S90 or S80)

Recommended Mouthpiece (Jazz):

Recommended Ligature: Rovner (Dark, Eddie Daniels)

Recommended Reeds: Vandoren (2, 2 ½, 3)

REQUIRED Accessories: Cork Grease, Swab, Reed Saver, Mouthpiece Cap, 4 good reeds!

Recommended Accessories: Mouthpiece pouch/mouse

E♭ ALTO SAXOPHONE

Recommended Brand: Selmer (Series II, Series III), Yamaha (YAS62, YAS Custom)
Recommended Mouthpiece: Selmer C* (S90 or S80), Selmer C** (S90 or S80)
Recommended Mouthpiece (Jazz): Meyer 6, Meyer 7, Meyer 8 (Small or Medium Chamber)
Recommended Ligature: Rovner (Dark, Eddie Daniels), Bay Ligature
Recommended Reeds: Vandoren (2, 2 ½, 3)
REQUIRED Accessories: Cork Grease, Swab, Reed Saver, Mouthpiece Cap, 4 good reeds!
Recommended Accessories: Mouthpiece pouch/mouse

B♭ TENOR SAXOPHONE

Recommended Brand: Selmer (Series II, Mark VI), Yamaha (YTS62, YTS Custom)
Recommended Mouthpiece: Selmer C* (S90 or S80), Selmer C** (S90 or S80)
Recommended Mouthpiece (Jazz): Meyer 7*, Meyer 8* (Small or Medium Chamber), Strathon Adjustable
Recommended Ligature: Rovner (Dark, Eddie Daniels)
Recommended Reeds: Vandoren (2, 2 ½, 3)
REQUIRED Accessories: Cork Grease, Swab, Reed Saver, Mouthpiece Cap, 4 good reeds!
Recommended Accessories: Mouthpiece pouch/mouse

E♭ BARITONE SAXOPHONE

Recommended Brand: Selmer (Series II, Series III), Yamaha (YBS62, YBS Custom)
Recommended Mouthpiece: Selmer C* (S90 or S80), Selmer C** (S90 or S80)
Recommended Mouthpiece (Jazz):
Recommended Ligature: Rovner (Dark, Eddie Daniels)
Recommended Reeds: Vandoren (2, 2 ½, 3)
REQUIRED Accessories: Cork Grease, Swab, Reed Saver, Mouthpiece Cap, 4 good reeds
Recommended Accessories: Mouthpiece pouch/mouse

TRUMPET

Recommended Brand: Bach (LR180S-37, other models), Yamaha (8345)
*Silver trumpets are recommended because of their brilliance.
Recommended Mouthpiece: Bach (3C, 1 ½C, 1 ¼C, 1C)
REQUIRED Mutes: Straight Mute (Denis Wick-Copper Bottom), Cup Mute (Denis Wick Adjustable)
REQUIRED Mutes (Jazz): Bubble Mute (Jo-Ral)
REQUIRED Accessories: Valve Oil, Heavy Bodied Slide Oil (Hetman), Cleaning Snake
Recommended Accessories: Hand Guard (Leather)

FRENCH HORN

Recommended Brand: Holton (H179, H180, H181), Yamaha (YHR461D, YHR567D, YHR667D, YHR668D)
Recommended Mouthpiece: Holton (Farkas, MC, MDC), Yamaha 304C
REQUIRED Mutes: Non-Transposing Mute
REQUIRED Accessories: Rotor Oil (Hetman), Heavy Bodied Slide Oil (Hetman), Cleaning Snake
Recommended Accessories: Hand Guard (Leather)

TROMBONE

Recommended Brand: Bach (42TG-“Thayer” Valve w/Gold Brass Bell), Conn (88H), Yamaha (YSL682B)
*Lacquered trombones are recommended because of their warmth.
Recommended Mouthpiece: Bach (6½AL, 5G)
REQUIRED Mutes: Straight Mute (Jo-Ral Aluminum)
REQUIRED Accessories: Slide-O-Mix, Rotor Oil (Hetman), Heavy Bodied Slide Oil (Hetman)
Cleaning Rod, 4” x 4” Cotton Rag, Cleaning Snake
Recommended Accessories: Hand Guard (Leather)

BASS TROMBONE

Recommended Brand: Bach (), Conn (), Yamaha ()
Recommended Mouthpiece: Bach (5G, 3G, 2G, 1G)
REQUIRED Mutes: Straight Mute (Jo-Ral Aluminum)
REQUIRED Accessories: Slide-O-Mix, Rotor Oil (Hetman), Heavy Bodied Slide Oil (Hetman)
Cleaning Rod, 4” x 4” Cotton Rag, Cleaning Snake
Recommended Accessories: Hand Guard (Leather)

EUPHONIUM

Recommended Brand: Yamaha (YEP642), Willson (2900DS),
Recommended Mouthpiece: Schilke (51D), Bach (5G, 3G, 2G, 1G)
REQUIRED Accessories: Valve Oil, Heavy Bodied Slide Oil (Hetman), Cleaning Snake
Recommended Accessories:

TUBA

Recommended Brand: Getzen (), Canadian Brass (CB50), Yamaha (YBB621)
Recommended Mouthpiece: Perantucci, Schilke (69C4, Helleberg)
REQUIRED Accessories: Valve Oil or Rotor Oil (Hetman), Heavy Bodied Slide Oil (Hetman)
Recommended Accessories: Non-Slip Lap Pad, Cleaning Snake

PERCUSSION

REQUIRED Equipment: Stick Bag
Combination Sticks (Vic Firth SD12G-Swizzle)
Yarn Mallets (Vic Firth M9) *Two Pairs
Practice Pad (Real Feel, Slim Pad)
Recommended Accessories: Pitch Pipe
REQUIRED Equipment (Jazz): Drum Set Sticks (Vic Firth 5A/7A)
Brushes (Vic Firth)

ALL BAND PROGRAM MEMBERS

- Music Stand

ALL CONCERT BAND MEMBERS

- “Foundations for Superior Performance” (Richard Williams & Jeff King)