

Percussion Instrument and Equipment List

Your child will NEED the following equipment:

- Use QR code to find materials



It is **strongly advised** to rent a student mallet instrument for home for the months of October to April during the school year. We have instruments available to use at school, but they may not always be available for practice before and or after school.

Please DO NOT choose random amazon alternatives for sticks and mallets because playing with these can create bad playing habits and the stick or mallet can be too hard. I understand some of this equipment may be expensive but this investment of materials will help your child through high school. Email me before you buy, if you find an alternative that you want to get for your child.

Local and online music stores to rent or purchase equipment from

Brook Mays Music

Music and Arts

Steve Weiss Percussion

Tarpley Music Co.

Texas Marimba Rental - free delivery for marimba rentals

TIMELINE

March/April/May

- Meet with directors to select an instrument
- Order the listed equipment from a local music retailer (or online)
- Sign up for private lessons to get an early start in the summer if desired - Email me for more information

June

- Start private lessons during the summer
- Order supplies if not already done

July

- Verify that you have all equipment needed. Label all supplies clearly

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Is it ok for my child to start playing before the school year starts?

- If your child would like to start with a private lesson teacher early, this is great! Please contact me for this information. It is NOT ok for your child to pull out their equipment on their own and attempt to play without the guidance of a professional. This could cause them to create bad habits in technique and practicing that are hard to correct down the road.

When should I bring my instrument to school next year?

- We will have you bring your equipment and supplies on the 2nd or 3rd day of school. No need to bring anything on the first day of school.

Can I purchase instruments or equipment other than what is listed?

- We have found out not all instruments and equipment are manufactured to the same standards. The items listed on this materials list are approved by the band staff over years of experience. Purchasing equipment not on the list could hinder your child's progress in percussion. Please contact me about anything you might find.

Who do I contact if I have questions?

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