

# SMS 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Materials Checklist 23-24

## Flute

- ☐ Cleaning Rod (Typically comes with the flute)
- ☐ Flute Cleaning Swab
- ☐ 1" Binder with 4 Dividers
- ☐ Small makeup mirror
- ☐ (optional) A wire music stand for home practice
- ☒ "Measures of Success" book for Flute, provided by Shelburne

## Clarinet

- ☐ Yamaha 4C Clarinet Mouthpiece (Comes with Yamaha clarinets, you need to buy if your clarinet is a different brand)
- ☐ Rovner 1R Leather Clarinet Ligature (if your clarinet comes with a metal one, please buy a leather one)
- ☐ Clarinet Cleaning Swab (comes with new clarinets)
- ☐ 1 Box of Vandoren #2 Clarinet Reeds (After this box is gone, we will move up to Vandoren #2.5 reeds)
- ☐ Cork Grease
- ☐ 1" Binder with 4 Dividers
- ☐ Small makeup mirror
- ☐ (optional) A wire music stand for home practice
- ☒ "Measures of Success" book for Clarinet, provided by Shelburne

## Alto Saxophone

- ☐ Yamaha 4C Alto Saxophone Mouthpiece (Comes with Yamaha Saxes, you need to buy if your sax is a different brand)
- ☐ Rovner 1RL Sax Ligature (if your Sax comes with a metal one, please buy a leather one)
- ☐ Saxophone neck strap (comes with new saxes)
- ☐ Sax Cleaning Swab (comes with new saxes)
- ☐ 1 Box of Vandoren #2 Alto Saxophone Reeds
- ☐ Cork Grease
- ☐ 1" Binder with 4 Dividers
- ☐ Small makeup mirror
- ☐ (optional) A wire music stand for home practice
- ☒ "Measures of Success" book for Alto Sax, provided by Shelburne

## Percussion

- ☐ Pearl, Yamaha, or Ludwig Percussion kit that includes a snare drum! (Also includes a bell set + practice pad)
- ☐ 2 Pairs of Vic Firth SD1, 5A, or, 5B Snare Drum Sticks (Write your name on your sticks)
- ☐ 1" Binder with 4 Dividers
- ☒ "Measures of Success" book for Percussion, provided by Shelburne

## Trumpet

- ☐ 7C Trumpet Mouthpiece (typically comes with new trumpets – Yamaha, Bach, and Conn are all good brands)
- ☐ Valve Oil (typically comes with new trumpets)
- ☐ Tuning Slide Grease (typically comes with new trumpets)
- ☐ A mouthpiece brush and cleaning snake
- ☐ 1 household Washcloth for emptying the "water key"
- ☐ 1" Binder with 4 Dividers
- ☐ Small makeup mirror
- ☐ (optional) A wire music stand for home practice
- ☒ "Measures of Success" book for Trumpet, provided by Shelburne

## French Horn

- ☐ Standard Horn Mouthpiece. Examples: Yamaha 32C4 or Holton Farkas MDC (typically comes with new Horns)
- ☐ Rotary Oil (typically comes with new Horns)
- ☐ Tuning Slide Grease (typically comes with new Horns)
- ☐ A mouthpiece brush and cleaning snake
- ☐ 1 household Washcloth for emptying the “water key”
- ☐ 1” Binder with 4 Dividers
- ☐ Small makeup mirror
- ☐ (optional) A wire music stand for home practice
- ☒ “Measures of Success” book for French Horn, provided by Shelburne

## Trombone

- ☐ Standard Trombone Mouthpiece. Examples: Yamaha YAC SL47 or Bach 6 ½ AL (typically comes with new trombones)
- ☐ Slide Oil (recommend Yamaha YAC1021P Slide Oil) (typically comes with new trombones)
- ☐ Tuning Slide Grease (typically comes with new trombones)
- ☐ Travel spray bottle for water
- ☐ A mouthpiece brush and cleaning snake
- ☐ 1 household Washcloth for emptying the “water key”
- ☐ 1” Binder with 4 Dividers
- ☐ Small makeup mirror
- ☐ (optional) A wire music stand for home practice
- ☒ “Measures of Success” book for Trombone, provided by Shelburne

## Euphonium

- ☐ Standard Trombone Mouthpiece. Examples: Yamaha YAC SL47 or Bach 6 ½ AL (typically comes with new Euphoniums)
- ☐ Valve Oil (typically comes with new Euphoniums)
- ☐ Tuning Slide Grease (typically comes with new Euphoniums)
- ☐ A mouthpiece brush and cleaning snake
- ☐ 1 household Washcloth for emptying the “water key”
- ☐ 1” Binder with 4 Dividers
- ☐ Small makeup mirror
- ☐ (optional) A wire music stand for home practice
- ☒ “Measures of Success” book for B.C. Baritone/Euphonium, provided by Shelburne

## Tuba

- ☒ Standard Tuba Mouthpiece (provided by SMS)
- ☒ Valve Oil (provided by SMS)
- ☒ Tuning Slide Grease (provided by SMS)
- ☐ 1 household Washcloth for emptying the “water key”
- ☐ 1” Binder with 4 Dividers
- ☐ Small makeup mirror
- ☐ (optional) A wire music stand for home practice
- ☒ “Measures of Success” book for Tuba, provided by Shelburne

## Oboe

- ☐ 3 Medium-Soft Artist Jones reeds (purple string)
- ☐ Oboe Reed Case
- ☐ Oboe Silk cleaning cloth
- ☐ Small container for water about the size of a 33mm film canister
- ☐ Cork Grease
- ☐ 1” Binder with 4 Dividers
- ☐ (optional) A wire music stand for home practice
- ☒ “Measures of Success” book for Oboe, provided by Shelburne

## Bassoon

- ☐ 3 Medium-Soft Jones reeds, upgrade to hand made reeds later
- ☐ Bassoon Reed Case
- ☒ Bassoon Strap (provided by SMS)
- ☒ Bassoon Cleaning Cloth (provided by SMS)
- ☐ Small container for water about the size of a 33mm film canister
- ☐ Cork Grease
- ☐ 1" Binder with 4 Dividers
- ☐ (optional) A wire music stand for home practice
- ☒ "Measures of Success" book for Bassoon, provided by Shelburne

# Preferred Instrument List

Instrument	Brand	Model	Mouthpiece	Quality
<b>Flute</b>	Yamaha	YFL-221	N/A	Student
	Jupiter	661	N/A	Advanced Student
	Yamaha	481H	N/A	Professional
	Yamaha	581H	N/A	Professional
<b>Oboe</b>	Fox	333	Med-Soft Jones Reeds	Student
	Yamaha	221	Med-Soft Jones Reeds	Student
	Fox	400	Hand Made (ask)	Professional
<b>Bassoon</b>	Fox	41	FoxCVXBocal	Student
	Fox	222	FoxCVXBocal	Professional
<b>Clarinet</b>	Buffett	B12	Yamaha 4c	Student
	Yamaha	YCL-225	Yamaha 4c	Student
	Yamaha	YCL-450	Vandoren M30 Series 13 Profile 88	Advanced Student
	Buffett	R-13	Vandoren M30 Series 13 Profile 88	Professional
<b>Alto Sax</b>	Yamaha	YAS-26	Yamaha 4c	Student
	Yamaha	YAS62II	Selmer C*	Professional
<b>Tenor Sax</b>	Yamaha	YTS23	Yamaha 4c	Student
	Yamaha	YTS62II	Selmer C*	Professional
<b>Trumpet</b>	King	601	Bach 5C	Student
	Yamaha	YTR2335	Bach 5C	Student
	Bach	Strad37/180	Bach 3C	Professional
<b>French Horn</b>	Yamaha	YHR-567	Yamaha 32C4	Student
	Holton	Models 175-181	Holton Farkas MDC	Professional
<b>Trombone</b>	Jupiter	332L	YAC SL47	Student
	Yamaha	YSL-354	YAC SL47	Student
	Eastman	ETB432/430	Bach 6 1/2 AL	Student F-Attachment

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<b>Trombone (cont.)</b>	Yamaha	YSL448G	Bach 6 1/2 AL	Student F-Attachment
	Bach	42BO	Schilke 51	Student F-Attachment
<b>Euphonium</b>	Yamaha	YEP201	YAC SL47	Student
		YEP321	Bach 6 1/2 AL	Professional
<b>Tuba</b>	Yamaha	YBB-105WC	Yamaha Standard	Student
	St. Petersburg	N202	Bach 18	Professional
<b>Percussion Kit</b>	Pearl	Pearl PL900C		Snare, Bells, Practice pad and the case has Wheels!
	Yamaha	Combo Kit		Snare, Bells, Practice pad and the case has Wheels!
	Ludwig	Combo Kit		Snare, Bells, Practice pad and the case has Wheels!
<b>Xylophone</b>	Stagg	Xylo-Set	Vic Firth PolyBall Mallets	Student
<b>Marimba</b>	Majestic	4.3 Octave	IP-240 Mallets	Professional
<b>Snare Drum</b>	Pearl	MX Custom	Vic Firth Sticks	Student
	Pearl	Symphonic Snare	Vic Firth Sticks	Professional

# Horns Not to Buy

Here is a list that I put together of instrument brands that should be avoided like the plague. I'm sure that there are other brands that I have missed but this list should cover a majority of the "super hideous horns" that no one should buy. Some of the sellers of these instruments will say that they are made in Kansas City, Missouri, Rancho Cucamonga, California or wherever but they are lying through their digital teeth. Most of the Chinese horns are probably made in the same factory but they simply stamp a different brand name on the horn before it gets shipped out to unsuspecting and musically uneducated parents. Just because it's "shiny" doesn't mean that it's good. Most descent horns will be brass, gold colored. that is lacquered. A few descent horns might have a black lacquer. However, when you see instruments that come in red, green, blue, yellow or purple you should run away screaming. Those horns are nothing but junk and would be best used as a doorstop or a wall hanging. Later today I'll put together a list of brand name instruments that are OK and I'll send that to you also. Now that I'm letting parents know "what brands not to buy" I guess I should tell them "what brands to buy".

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**1<sup>st</sup> Semester contracts  
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