



Mountain Ridge High School

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Materials and Supplies for Band

1. _____ **Case Name Tag**
Every instrument needs a luggage tag on the handle with the student's name on the tag.
2. _____ **Pencils**
We will use a mechanical pencil everyday. Have it on your stand.
3. _____ **Three-Ring Binder with clear page protectors**
A 1" or 1.5" hardbound notebook is the best, any bigger and the rings wear out.
4. _____ **Instrument Supplies**
Please see the next page for a detailed list. Step-up mouthpieces are optional but highly recommended. Think of it this way, the shoes you wore in 5th grade were probably great for you in 5th grade, but they don't fit anymore. The same is true for the beginning mouthpieces that came with your instrument.
5. _____ **Have all dates clearly marked in your family calendar.**
Use the Band Calendar & check the online Google Calendar often for updates.
6. _____ **Lyre**
A lyre is a little wire stand that grips or hooks on an instrument (except flute which hooks onto your arm). Sousaphones and Percussion will not need these. We will use them at pep rallies in the gym and in the stands at football games. The biggest problem with lyres is how they fit on to the instrument. I recommend that each student bring their own instrument to the music store to make sure it fits.
7. _____ **Flip Folder**
A flip folder clips onto the lyre and is what actually holds the music. Students insert their music into the clear sleeves of the folder so they can see their music.
8. _____ **Metronome and Tuner**
The two main ingredients in music are pitch (the notes) and rhythm. Every band uses a metronome in class everyday. It is only fitting that students practice with one at home as well. The easiest way to tell whether a musician sounds good (or bad) is whether they are in tune (or not). Like the metronome, each band uses a tuner every day. It is only fitting that students practice with one at home. There are a few great tuner/metronome apps. The best one is the "[TonalEnergy Tuner](#)".
9. _____ **Synthetic Reeds for Marching Season/Pep Band**
Legere Reeds, Classic or Signature Cut - Check the link to find the strength that best fits what you are currently playing. <http://www.legere.com/need-to-know/strength-charts/>

Individual Instrument Supplies & Maintenance

Flute

- ___ Silk Cleaning Cloth
- ___ Tuning Rod

Oboe

- ___ Silk Oboe Swab
- ___ Reed Case (hold 5 reeds)
- ___ At least 5 reeds
- ___ Small Water Container

Bassoon

- ___ Silk Bassoon Swab
- ___ Reed Case (hold 3 reeds)
- ___ At least 3 reeds
- ___ Small Water Container

Clarinet

- ___ Vandoren BD5 mouthpiece
- ___ Box of 10 Vandoren 56 Rue or V21 Reeds
- ___ Reed Case (holds 4 reeds)
- ___ Silk Swab/Handkerchief
- ___ BG Standard Ligature and Cap
- ___ Mouthpiece Patch

Bass Clarinet

- ___ Selmer Concept Mouthpiece
- ___ Box of 5 Vandoren 3 or above Reeds
- ___ Silk Swab/Handkerchief
- ___ Mouthpiece Patch

Alto Saxophone

- ___ Selmer S80 Mouthpiece
- ___ Box of 10 Vandoren Reeds
- ___ Reed Case (holds 4 reeds)
- ___ Silk Swab/Handkerchief
- ___ BG Super Revelation Ligature and Cap
- ___ Mouthpiece Patch

Tenor/Bari Saxophone

- ___ Selmer S80 Mouthpiece
- ___ Box of 5 Vandoren 3 or above Reeds
- ___ BG Super Revelation Ligature and Cap
- ___ Reed Case (holds 4 reeds)
- ___ Silk Swab/Handkerchief
- ___ Mouthpiece Patch

Trumpet

- ___ Bach 5C or 3C Mouthpiece

- ___ Hetman #2 Valve Oil
- ___ Slide Grease (Hetman Slide Gel #7)
- ___ Mouthpiece Brush/Cleaning Snake
- ___ Soft Cloth

Horn

- ___ Stork C10 or C8 Mouthpiece
- ___ Hetman #11 Rotor Oil (inside)
- ___ Hetman Light Bearing & Linkage oil #13.5 (outside)
- ___ Slide Grease (Hetman Slide Gel #7)
- ___ Mouthpiece Brush/Cleaning Snake
- ___ Soft Cloth

Trombone

- ___ Bach 6 1/2 AL Mouthpiece
- ___ Trombontine Slide Cream
- ___ Small Spray Bottle
- ___ Tuning Slide Grease (Hetman Slide Gel #7)
- ___ Mouthpiece Brush/Cleaning Snake
- ___ Soft Cloth

Euphonium

- ___ Bach 5G Mouthpiece
- ___ Hetman #2 Valve Oil
- ___ Slide Grease (Hetman Slide Gel #7)
- ___ Mouthpiece Brush/Cleaning Snake
- ___ Soft Cloth

Tuba

- ___ Hellenberg or Perantucci 44 Mouthpiece
- ___ Hetman #2 Valve Oil
- ___ Slide Grease (Hetman Slide Gel #7)
- ___ Mouthpiece Brush/Cleaning Snake
- ___ Soft Cloth

Percussion

- ___ Concert Snare Sticks - Vic Firth SD1
- ___ Practice Sticks - Vic Firth - Colin McNutt
- ___ Yarn Marimba Mallets
- ___ 12" Vic Firth - Heavy Hitter Slim Pad
- ___ Tall Pad stand that can fully extend and properly place the pad to your needed height