



DHS Band Class Requirements

Most instrument specific supplies are available through the band at a wholesale price. You can also find these at your local music store.

All members, regardless of instrument or band class

- 1 inch, 3 ring binder (preferably black), with sheet protectors
- Pencil

Percussion

- VF SD1 General Snare Drum Sticks
- IP OS4 Xylo/Bell Mallets
- IP2003 James Ancona Medium Marimba
- IP GT3 General Timpani Mallets
- Mallets
- Stick Bag

All percussion equipment can be purchased through www.steveweissmusic.com

Woodwinds

**If you are still using your mouthpiece from middle school, consider upgrading mouthpiece and/or ligature.*

Flutes:

- Your own Flute
 - Silk Cleaning Swab
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Oboes/Bassoons:

- An oboe and bassoon can be rented from the school for \$30 per semester
 - Working reeds
 - Reed Case
 - Silk Cleaning Swab
 - Have at least 3 working reeds at all times!*
 - See a director if you would like hand-made reeds*
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Clarinets:

- Your own clarinet, ligature, and mouthpiece
- Vandoren (blue or silver box) Reeds
- Reed Case
- Silk Cleaning Swab
- Cork Grease
- Have at least 3 working reeds at all times!*

Clarinet Recommended Upgrades (optional):

Mouthpieces:

- Vandoren M13

Ligatures:

- Vandoren Optimum
- OR
- BG Super Revelation Ligature

More woodwinds and brass on reverse →

Bass Clarinet

- A bass clarinet can be rented from the school for \$30 per semester - *Must have personal mouthpiece, ligature, and reeds*
- Mouthpiece & Ligature
- Reeds - Vandoren (blue or silver box)
- Reed Case
- Silk Cleaning Swab
- Cork Grease
- Have at least 3 working reeds at all times*

Bass Clarinet Recommended Upgrades (optional):

Mouthpieces:

- Clark W Fobes Debut Bass Clarinet
- OR
- Vandoren Bass Clarinet

Ligatures:

- Rovner Mark III Bass Clarinet
 - OR
 - BG L9R Revelation Bass Clarinet
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Saxophones:

- If you play Alto, you will need your own sax
- Tenor and Bari saxs can be rented from the school for \$30 per semester - *Must have personal mouthpiece, ligature, and reeds*
- Vandoren (blue or silver box) Reeds
- Mouthpiece
- Ligature
- Reed Case
- Silk Cleaning Swab
- Neck strap
- Cork Grease
- Have at least 3 working reeds at all times!*

Saxophone Recommended Upgrades (optional):

Mouthpieces:

- [Alto] Vandoren Optimum for Alto Sax
- [Tenor] Vandoren Optimum for Tenor Sax
- [Bari] Vandoren Optimum for Bari Sax OR “Clark W Fobes Debut” for Baritone Saxophone

Ligatures (Alto/Tenor/Bari):

- Vandoren Optimum Series
 - OR
 - BG Super Revelation
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Brass

-If you play **Trumpet** or **Trombone**, you will need to supply your own instrument.

-**F Horns, Euphoniums/Baritones, and Tubas** can be rented from the school for \$30 per semester - *Must have personal mouthpiece*

-Mouthpiece

-See a director if you are looking to purchase a new mouthpiece – they can help you find the correct size and brand for your instrument, embouchure, and personal sound

-Valve Oil (OR Rotor Oil for horns and tubas)

-Slide Grease

Brass players: It is EXTREMELY important that your instrument, its valves, **and slides, are in good working order. This affects your sound and technical ability, which in turn will affect your entire experience in the band program.*