BEGINNING BAND
INSTRUMENT SUPPLY GUIDE

2026–2027 | Godley Independent School District

Everything your student needs for a successful first year in band.

Please contact a band director before purchasing an instrument or substitute supply that is not listed in this guide.

CLARINET

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Included in the Band Fee — Do Not Purchase

- ***ID Tag** — issued to every student and attached to the instrument.
- ***Band Binder** — binder and dividers are purchased and assembled at school.
- ***Beginning Band Book** — Habits of a Successful Beginner Band Musician by Rush/Scott.

Recommended Clarinet Brands

- Yamaha
- Buffet
- Selmer
- Jupiter
- Bundy
- Noblet
- Vito

Required Supplies

Mouthpiece — Fobes Debut

Recommended for beginning clarinet players. Contact the director if the clarinet comes with a different mouthpiece.

Reeds — Vandoren Size 3, D'Addario Size 3, or Rico Size 3

Use any reeds included with the instrument. Keep at least three working reeds in the case at all times.

Reed Case — Holds at least four reeds

A slim, sturdy case protects reeds and may include a vitalizer pack to help prevent mold.

Cleaning Swab — Silk

Silk works best. Felt swabs can break and become stuck in the instrument.

Cork Grease — Vandoren preferred

Keep cork grease in the case to maintain the instrument properly.

Helpful Reminder: Please contact us before purchasing an alternate mouthpiece, reed size, or unfamiliar clarinet brand.

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TRUMPET

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Recommended Trumpet Brands

- Yamaha
- Bach
- Jupiter
- King
- Orion

Required Supplies

Mouthpiece — Bach 3C or Yamaha 14C4

Contact the director if the trumpet comes with a different mouthpiece.

Valve Oil — Yamaha Synthetic Valve Oil

Each student needs a personal bottle. One bottle should last at least a year when used properly.

Light Slide Oil — Monster Light Slide Oil

Used for trumpet slides.

Tuning Slide Grease — Bach Tuning Slide Grease

Both light slide oil and tuning slide grease are required.

Trumpet Cleaning Kit — Instrument-specific kit

Must include a mouthpiece cleaning brush, valve cleaning brush, and flexible cleaning brush. Slide grease included in a kit is acceptable.

Helpful Reminder: Please communicate through ParentSquare or email if you have any questions or difficulty locating supplies.

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FRENCH HORN

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- ***French Horn** — provided/rented through the school.

Required Supplies

Personal Mouthpiece — Bach 7, Conn No. 2, Yamaha 30C4, Laskey 70G, or Farkas Model

The school provides the instrument, but each student needs a personal mouthpiece.

Rotor Oil — Monster Light Rotor Oil

Make sure it is rotor oil—not valve oil. One bottle should last at least a year when used properly.

Slide Grease — Bach Tuning Slide Grease

Required for maintaining the tuning slides.

French Horn Cleaning Kit — Instrument-specific kit

Must include a mouthpiece cleaning brush and a flexible cleaning brush. Slide grease included in a kit is acceptable.

Helpful Reminder: The school provides the French horn; families are responsible for the personal mouthpiece and maintenance supplies.

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ALTO SAXOPHONE

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Recommended Saxophone Brands

- Yamaha
- Selmer
- Jupiter
- Bundy

Required Supplies

Mouthpiece — Fobes Debut preferred

Contact the director if the saxophone comes with a different mouthpiece.

Reeds — Vandoren Size 2.5 preferred

Use any reeds included with the instrument. Keep at least three working reeds in the case at all times.

Reed Case — Holds at least four reeds

A reed case protects reeds and may include a vitalizer pack to reduce moisture and mold.

Cork Grease — Vandoren preferred

Keep cork grease in the case to maintain the saxophone properly.

Cleaning Swab — Silk or microfiber cloth

Silk or microfiber cloth works best. Saxophone brush cleaner swabs can cause damage to the instrument.

Helpful Reminder: Please ask before purchasing an unfamiliar saxophone brand or a substitute mouthpiece or reed size.

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FLUTE

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Recommended Flute Brands and Features

- Yamaha
- Jupiter
- Gemeinhardt
- Trevor James
- **Footjoint** — choose a C footjoint for a beginner model.
- **Headjoint** — silver-plated is the standard option and is recommended for students with metal allergies.
- **Key Holes** — a closed-hole beginner flute is highly recommended.
- **G Key Alignment** — offset G is standard and easier on the hands.

Required Supplies

Silk Cleaning Swab — Swabs must be silk, no other materials

Essential for removing moisture and debris. Do not place any other material or object inside the flute except the silk and tuning rod.

Tuning Rod — Metal, plastic, or wood

Metal is standard. It resembles a large needle with an eye used to thread the cleaning swab.

Helpful Reminder: Ask the director before purchasing a flute with open holes, a B footjoint, or an unfamiliar brand.

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BARITONE / EUPHONIUM

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- ***Baritone** — provided/rented through the school.

Required Supplies

Large-Shank Mouthpiece — Bach 6½ AL or Yamaha 48

Please confirm that the mouthpiece is large shank. The school provides the instrument, but each student needs a personal mouthpiece.

Valve Oil — Yamaha Synthetic Valve Oil

Each student needs a personal bottle. One bottle should last at least a year when used properly.

Tuning Slide Oil or Grease — Bach Tuning Slide Grease recommended

Required for maintaining the tuning slides.

Baritone Cleaning Kit — Instrument-specific kit

Must include a mouthpiece cleaning brush and flexible cleaning brush. Slide oil or cream included in a kit is acceptable.

Helpful Reminder: The school provides the baritone; families are responsible for the personal mouthpiece and maintenance supplies.

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TROMBONE

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Recommended Trombone Brands and Features

- Bach
- Yamaha
- Conn-Selmer
- **F-Attachment** — not required, but highly recommended because it will be useful later.

Required Supplies

Mouthpiece — Bach 6½ AL or Yamaha 48

Contact the director if the trombone comes with a different mouthpiece.

Slide Oil / Cream — Slide-O-Mix

Each student needs personal slide lubricant. Other brands exist, but Slide-O-Mix is preferred.

Tuning Slide Oil or Grease — Bach Tuning Slide Grease recommended

Required and should last at least a year.

Mini Spray Bottle — One-finger travel water bottle

Used with water to keep the slide lubricated.

Trombone Cleaning Kit — Instrument-specific kit

Must include a mouthpiece cleaning brush and flexible cleaning brush. Slide oil or cream included in a kit is acceptable.

Helpful Reminder: Please ask the director before purchasing an unfamiliar trombone brand or mouthpiece.

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TUBA

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- ***Tuba** — provided/rented through the school.

Required Supplies

Personal Mouthpiece — Bach 7, Conn Helleberg, Schilke Helleburg, Denis Wick 3, or Yamaha 66

The school provides the instrument, but each student needs a personal mouthpiece.

Valve Oil — Yamaha Synthetic Valve Oil

Each student needs a personal bottle. One bottle should last at least a year when used properly.

Tuning Slide Oil or Grease — Bach Tuning Slide Grease recommended

Required for maintaining the tuning slides.

Tuba Cleaning Kit — Instrument-specific kit

Must include a mouthpiece cleaning brush and flexible cleaning brush. Slide oil or cream included in a kit is acceptable.

Helpful Reminder: The school provides the tuba; families are responsible for the personal mouthpiece and maintenance supplies.

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BASSOON

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- ***Beginning Band Book** — Habits of a Successful Beginner Band Musician by Rush/Scott.
- ***Bassoon** — provided/rented through the school.

Required Supplies

- Soaker cup and clip
- Seat strap
- Bocal brush
- Bassoon swab
- Cork grease
- Reed case for three reeds
- Three bassoon reeds — #1 from Bocal Majority

Important Purchasing Note: The reeds and book MUST be ordered from the Bocal Majority website. Please contact the director if you need help.

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OBOE

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- ***Beginning Band Book** — Habits of a Successful Beginner Band Musician by Rush/Scott.
- ***Oboe** — provided/rented through the school.

Required Supplies

- Soaker cup and clip
- Silk oboe swab
- Cork grease
- Reed case for three reeds
- Three oboe reeds — #1 from Bocal Majority

Important Purchasing Note: The reeds MUST be ordered from the Bocal Majority website. Please contact the director if you need help.

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Godley ISD Percussion Program

Beginner Percussion Equipment List

Welcome

Congratulations on joining the Godley ISD Percussion Program! Please review the required and recommended supplies carefully and acquire all items as soon as possible. All items can be purchased or rented at the Godley ISD Instrument Night on August ___.

Financial assistance is available. If you have concerns about the cost of any items, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Contact: David Kennedy — Godley ISD Percussion Director
Email: dkennedy@godleyisd.net

Required Equipment

Drum Pad

A 12" drum pad is required. Pads smaller than 12" will not fit on a standard stand.

Recommended brands:

- Offworld Percussion (Outlander or Invader Pad)
- Vic Firth Heavy Hitters Pad
- Vic Firth Double Sided
- Evans Real Feel

Drumsticks & Mallets

Each student must have the following:

- 1 pair of yarn mallets
- 1 pair of rubber mallets
- 1 pair of concert snare drum sticks
- 1 pair of timpani mallets

Recommended packs:

- Salyer Percussion – Intermediate Sticks & Mallet Pack
- Vic Firth – EP2A Intermediate Education Pack
- Innovative Percussion – Fundamental Intermediate Stick and Mallet Pack

Drum Stand

Every student needs a concert snare drum stand for their drum pad. Please ensure it is a concert stand — not a drum set stand. When fully collapsed, the stand must measure 20 inches or taller.

Metronome

A digital metronome is preferred, though free phone apps are also acceptable. Students will use a metronome during home practice.

Mallet Instrument

This instrument can be expensive. If you are unable to obtain one of the options below, please speak with Mr. Kennedy before leaving the rental meeting. Instruments may be rented or purchased from Tarpley or BandWagon Music.

Recommended options (select based on personal preference):

- Adams – Practice Marimba (preferred)
- Ludwig – Practice Xylophone/Marimba
- Orion – Xylophone
- Bell Kit

Important Dates

Event	Location
Instrument Night	Godley 6th Grade Campus — Date TBD
Christmas Band Concert	Godley 6th Grade Campus — Date TBD
Night of Percussion Concert	GHS Arena — Date TBD
Solo & Ensemble Contest	GMS Campus — Date TBD
Spring Band Concert	Godley 6th Grade Campus — Date TBD

Financial assistance is available to families. Please contact Mr. Kennedy at dkennedy@godleyisd.net with any questions or concerns.