



Required Materials for Music Ensembles

Percussion Ensemble

Percussion Ensemble is open to all students at CHS, however is required for percussionists wishing to be in band. All members enrolled in percussion ensemble **MUST** obtain the following equipment by September 1st.

- 8" minimum "real feel" practice pad with rim.
- Metronome (either an app on the phone, or a programmable one)
- Additionally, all students enrolled in percussion ensemble must have the following:
 - Snare Sticks (Vic Firth SD1 or Innovative Percussion IP1)
 - Two pairs of marimba mallets (medium hard yarn, innovative percussion preferred)
 - One pair of Timpani mallets.
 - All of these items (drum pad separately) can be bought here together:



Symphonic Band

Symphonic Band is Charlotte High School's auditioned only band. The students enrolled in this class **MUST** obtain the following equipment by September 1st. These items can be purchased through Mr. Bunnens; please ask for clarification if any is needed.

- Oboe
 - All Oboists are required to purchase their own reeds. Either through a music store or independent reed maker.
- Flute
 - Cleaning rod and swab
 - All flute players are strongly recommended to upgrade their flutes to an open holed flute. See Mr. Bunnens for brand recommendations.
- Clarinet
 - Vandoren B45 mouthpiece
 - Rovner ligature
 - Size 3-3.5 reeds
 - Vandoren V12s if ready; standard blue box if not.
- Saxophone
 - Selmer S80 C* or Vandoren AL3 mouthpiece (These mouthpieces are appropriate for both classical saxophone and jazz)
 - Size 3-3.5 reeds
 - Vandoren V12s if ready; standard blue box if not.
- Bassoon
 - All bassoonists are required to purchase their own reeds. Either through a music store or independent reed maker.
 - Seat strap or neck strap; whichever your preference is.

- Trumpet
 - Bach/Blessing 3C mouthpiece
 - Valve oil
 - Tuning slide grease
 - Trumpet players are strongly recommended to purchase their own mutes, however not required.
 - Straight Mute
 - Cup Mute
- Horn in F
 - Lasky 775G mouthpiece OR
 - Lasky 80G, 825G, 85G depending on lip size (everyone is different)
 - Rotor valve oil
 - Tuning slide grease
- Trombone
 - Bach/Blessing 6 ½ AL
 - Trombone slide oil
 - Slide grease
- Euphonium
 - Bach/Blessing 6 ½ AL
 - Valve Oil
 - Slide Grease
- Tuba
 - Conn Helleberg mouthpiece
 - Rotor valve oil
 - Tuning slide grease

Any student NOT enrolled in symphonic band is still **strongly recommend** to invest in the equipment above as soon as possible. The equipment listed are the same items used by collegiate and professional musicians across the country. They will last you your ***entire high school career and beyond*** in music. I still have my mouthpiece from high school that I play on. They will last you a life time; if you care for it.