

# Ok, I'm enrolled in band...NOW WHAT?!?

## Our Recommendations

Our number one concern is that your child is successful in the band program. Our recommendations are based on the fittings we administered, our expertise as music educators, and the preferences of your child. We ask that you take our recommendations into consideration when deciding what instrument to purchase for your child.

**\*\*Percussionists have been chosen from auditions. Please do not buy your child a percussion instrument unless they have been invited to play in the percussion section. If you are not sure on this issue please don't hesitate to contact me\*\***

## Instrument Rentals

Please visit the Tune Shop for Instrument Recommendations

## Instruments not on the Recommended List

Please be careful when approaching instruments not on the recommended list. They can be cheaply made, hard to maintain and end up costing you more in the long run. Our recommendation is to invest in a quality instrument that will hold up to the normal wear-and-tear of Middle School Band and won't break the bank when it needs repairing.

If you are planning to use an instrument that you already own or one that you have found at a pawn shop or other sale please try and take it to the local music store before you purchase it and find out what kind of condition it is in. Sometimes these can be GREAT finds and others are not worth the time and money that you will have to invest to get them into playing condition.

## Accessories

See the list of recommended accessories

## Rental Reserve

If you rent your instrument from the Tune Shop be aware that your student will not get their instrument until the first day of school unless you are planning to get private lessons for the summer. This is to protect your investment. If you are planning to get summer lessons please let the music store know and they will give you your instrument.

If you do take the instrument before school starts please do not allow your child to play with it until they have been properly instructed.