

INSTRUMENT SELECTION FORM - **BEGINNING BAND 2019-2020**

- Careful time and attention will be taken at the beginning of the year to select an instrument that best fits the individual student.
- Rank your instrument choices 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. You may not get your first choice but that is why we ask for your top three.

<p style="text-align: center;">CLARINET</p>  <p><i>The clarinet requires reeds in order to play. Students have to purchase their own reeds. Students will need to have one reed for each day of the week and will probably use 7 reeds a month. A reed costs approximately \$2.25 each. Please keep that in mind before you select clarinet.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">ALTO SAXOPHONE</p>  <p><i>The alto saxophone requires reeds in order to play. Students will need to have one reed for each day of the week and will probably use 7 reeds a month. A reed costs approximately \$2.75 each. Please keep that in mind before you select alto saxophone.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">TROMBONE</p>  <p><i>The trombone requires slide lubricant to keep the long slide moving freely with ease. A bottle of Yamaha slide lubricant costs around \$10 but it will last you two to three months if you keep track of it. You don't need long arms to play it. Even young students can have success on the trombone.</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">FLUTE</p>  <p><i>The flute is a very sensitive instrument the musician must be gentle and delicate with it. Too many bumps or drops will cause it to need to be adjusted.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">TRUMPET</p>  <p><i>This instrument requires valve oil to keep it in working condition. Just like a car needs oil in it to keep the pistons moving smoothly, so too does the trumpet. A 2oz bottle of valve oil costs around \$5.00 and you will probably use a bottle per month. Please keep that in mind before you select trumpet.</i></p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">PERCUSSION</p> <p><i>*Students with an interest in percussion instruments such as marimba and drums will have the option to fill in on those parts as requested by the director during their second and third year of instruction. Students will start beginning band on a wind/brass instrument and have the advantage of being able to play two instruments and it creates a fair opportunity for anyone who is interested in percussion to have a chance at that time. Percussion is reserved for Intermediate and Advanced Band members only.</i></p>		
<p>Do you own your own instrument from the list above?</p>		

STUDENT NAME: _____

I agree with my student's instrument selection, understand any additional requirements associated with this instrument, and support them on their instrument selection decisions:

PARENT SIGNATURE: _____

1st Choice: _____

2nd Choice: _____

3rd Choice: _____