

McLean 6th Grade Center Band

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Percussion

You will be responsible for the following accessories that you obtain from any local music store.

Recommended Flute Brand/Model-Rent or Purchase from Music Store:

Practice Xylophone or Marimba (Dec. - June)

Korg Blue Metronome

Vic Firth Heavy Hitter Stock or Slim Pad

Concert Height Snare/Practice Pad Stand

Innovative Percussion Hard Rubber Mallets ENS 360

A Fresh Approach to Mallet Percussion with CD by Wessels

A Fresh Approach to Snare Drum with CD by Wessels

Intermediate Stick/Mallet Pack F2, F9, GT-3, IP-LD, SB-3

Folding Music Stand (for practicing at home!)

notebook paper & zipper pencil pouch

Pencils

AVOID:

Please avoid any substitutes. The Innovative Percussion Fundamental Pack contains the basic set of implements that will be used and built upon throughout your student's musical career.

Where to buy:

All percussion class items can be most easily obtained through the Lone Star Percussion website. There are a few other purchase/rental options listed below. Please feel free to call or email if you have any questions.

N-Tune Music

10450 East Bankhead Highway

Aledo, TX 76008-3158

(817) 441-9003

Lone Star Percussion:

<http://www.lonestarpercussion.com/Schools/fwisd/>

Steve Weiss Music:

www.steveweissmusic.com

Marimba Warehouse:

www.marimbawarehouse.com

Steve Weiss Music (for Percussionists) – www.steveweissmusic.com
Call toll free at 1-888-659-3477

International Music Suppliers – www.intlmusicalsuppliers.com:
Call toll free 1-800-762-1116

Woodwind and Brasswind – www.wwbw.com
Call toll free at 1-800-348-5003

Muncy Winds – www.muncywinds.com
Call toll free at 1-800-333-6415

Ebay and Pawn Shops: This option has the highest risk, but you could also get a great deal. I would not buy anything sight unseen without a money back guarantee! Also, ask the seller if you can have a “third party evaluation” done. This is where the seller takes the instrument to a reputable music shop, preferably one you pick, and has it inspected for quality. You then communicate directly to the shop rather than the seller. This can be a lot of extra work, but you might be able to get a great deal.

When you acquire the instrument, IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT that the student or other family members not be allowed to “play” the instrument before instruction has been given! Your child will develop bad habits that are very difficult to break, and the well-meaning family member may break the instrument or its accessories which could result in a costly repair or replacement.

Private Lessons

Private instruction is available for your child from local professional musicians. Private lessons are not required; however, they are strongly suggested and will give your child an opportunity to progress more quickly. A weekly lesson is 30 minutes long, and the average rate per lesson is somewhere between \$15 and \$20. Information will be given in August about signing up for private lessons.

Welcome to the band family. If you have any questions, concerns, or comments, please do not hesitate to call at 817-814-5761 or email me at lindsey.traughber@twisd.org. I want to do everything to make this a positive experience for you and your child.

Thank you and welcome to the McLean 6th Grade Band!