

# SPMS Band Supply List

## Flute

### Required Method Book:

6th Grade – Essential Elements Book 1 (should be purchased new for online content)

### Instrument:

Parents are strongly encouraged to provide the highest quality instrument possible. Generally the local music stores rent high quality beginning level instruments in new condition. Used instruments are fine if they are from a quality manufacturer and are in good condition. Before buying a used instrument, have the band director or specialist from a music store inspect it to make sure it is in proper playing condition. Music stores will have reliable instruments. It is possible to obtain used instruments online, but it is important to check the brand name. The last thing you want is to be stuck with a cheap copy of an instrument that looks beautiful, but has a bad sound, breaks easily, and is difficult or expensive to repair.

Look for the following well-respected names when obtaining a flute: **Yamaha, Jupiter, Artley, Trevor James, Di Zhao, Haynes, Bundy or Vito**. Of course, parents of very serious students are encouraged to upgrade to an open holed flute, but beginners are more successful on a closed-hole model.

### Required Supplies for Flute:

Name Tag for case  
Cleaning swab or Cleaning rod and cloth  
**1" BLACK 3-RING BINDER**

### Suggested Supplies:

Metronome  
Tuner  
Folding music stand for practicing at home  
Page protectors for binder