

SPMS Band Supply List

Trumpet/Trombone

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 trumpet or trombone: **Yamaha, Bach, Conn, King, Jupiter, Getzen or Holton**. Of course, parents of very serious students are encouraged to upgrade to such brands as **Bach Stradivarius, or Yamaha Xeno**. Serious trombone students are encouraged to upgrade to large-bore trombones with F attachments. These changes will dramatically enhance the student's sound and playing ability.

Required Method Book for both:

6th Grade – Essential Elements Book 1 (specific to trumpet or trombone)
(should be purchased new for online content)

Required Supplies for Trumpet:

Name Tag for case
Valve Oil
Slide Grease
Mouthpiece of 5C or 3C or similar
1" BLACK 3-RING BINDER

Required Supplies for Trombone:

Slide Cream (Yamaha Purple, Superslick, SOM Rapid Comfort)
Slide Grease
Small spray bottle for water.
Mouthpiece of 6.5AL small shank or similar
1" BLACK 3-RING BINDER

Suggested Supplies for both:

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