

## Congratulations! You're going to be a <u>FRENCH HORN</u> player in the Benold Middle School Band!

I am so excited to welcome you into our Benold Band family! I know for many families, this is their first experience being part of a band program. Learning to play a musical instrument is one of the most incredible opportunities that our school can offer your child. Music education has the power to transform their lives in ways that no other endeavor can. Please feel free to reach out to any member of our band staff at any time with any questions – we're here for the whole family!

The information below will give you specifics about instruments and supplies required. We encourage you to begin the process of acquiring these items early to avoid the back-to-school rush. Please have all items by the first week of school. We strongly believe no student should be unable to participate in the Benold Band because of financial constraints. If you need assistance, please contact a director.

French Horns are provided by the school district for an annual fee of \$100, as they're generally not able to be rented from music stores. We'll contact you when the school year begins to complete a rental agreement and submit this payment for your child's instrument.

## REQUIRED SUPPLIES

- 1. Schilke 29 French horn mouthpiece
- 2. Rotary valve oil
- 3. Tuning slide grease
- 4. Pencils

## **Recommended Music Store:**

Strait Music Company 13945 Hwy 183 North Austin, TX 78717 512-918-3743 www.straitmusic.com

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