Gilles Sweet Elementary School Gilles Sweet Bands

Here is a quick reference on what to look for when you are shopping for an instrument. We would like the students to have all of the materials that are listed with the instrument. I am also including a list of quality instrument brands for each instrument. I am making these available for you in case you find an instrument in the paper, garage sale, or find one in Aunt Sally's attic. These are not the only quality instruments ever made. The list is just a collection of brands that have stood the test of time. If you have a question about a particular brand, please contact me.

Flute

Quality Instruments	What to look for:
Armstrong	Strong Case
Emerson	Name Tag
Gemeinhard	Cleaning Rod
Dean	Soft cotton Cloth
Yamaha	

Clarinet

Quality Instruments	What to look for:
4CA Normandy	Strong Case
Vito	Name Tag
Evette	Cork Grease
Bundy	Several 2 and 2 ½ strength reeds
Yamaha	Cloth Swab with string

Saxophone

Quality Instruments	What to look for:
Armstrong	Strong Case
Buesher	Name Tag
Bundy	Cork Grease
Conn	Several 2 and 2 ½ strength reeds
King	Pull Swab (Cloth Swab with string)
Martin	NO SAX SAVERS!
Olds	
Vito	
Yamaha Yas 23	

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Trumpet

Quality Instruments	What to look for:
Bach	Strong Case
Benge	Name Tag
Bundy	Mouthpiece – Bach 7C or equivalent
Conn	(Must ask for it)
Getzen	Valve Oil
King	Slide Grease
Olds	
Reynolds or Yamaha	

Trombone

Quality Instruments	What to look for:
Bach	Strong Case
Benge	Name Tag
Bundy	Mouthpiece – Bach 12C or 7C or
Conn	equivalent
Getzen	Valve Oil for Slide
King	Slide Grease
Olds	
Reynolds or Yamaha	

Percussion

Quality Instruments	What to look for:
Get a Percussion Kit	Strong Case & Name Tag
(both Bells and Pad)	Set of Bells & Bell Mallets
	Practice Drum Pad & Drum Sticks
	(Drum Not Necessary)
	Drum Sticks
	Stand for bells and Pad

DO NOT purchase an instrument from a department store or wholesale store! Only use a reputable dealer!