



Congratulations! Your student has been selected to play the CLARINET!

REQUIRED MATERIALS (to be purchased by the student/family)

- ☐ Essential Elements Book 1 for Clarinet
- ☐ Instrument (Clarinet) – new or used **Buffet, Yamaha, Selmer, Bundy, Artley, Jupiter** or Vito brand
- ☐ Mouthpiece
- ☐ Ligature - Preferably Selmer/Yamaha/Rovner brand
- ☐ Reeds - Vandoren size 2.5 - You must have three or more reeds at all times! We recommend buying one box to start. We will soon move to size 3 reeds.
- ☐ Cleaning Supplies: Cork grease, Mouthpiece brush, Swab (silk swabs are best)

RECOMMENDED MATERIALS

- ☐ Reed Case
- ☐ Name tag for instrument case (luggage tags are great!)
- ☐ Music stand to practice at home (optional, but highly suggested)

CONCERT ATTIRE: Band polo (included when you pay your band fees,) black pants, long black socks, and all-black shoes

Brands of instruments not specifically listed above may lead to a very frustrating year for you, your child, and for your wallet!

- 🎵 We strongly advise that you rent from a music store for at least the first year to make sure your student is successful on their chosen instrument.
- 🎵 **BEWARE OF CHEAP INSTRUMENTS!!!!** Anything under \$500 is usually not good quality. These instruments often don't sound good, break easily, and sometimes can't be fixed due to poor quality metal. Many families who think they found a good deal end up paying more in repair bills. If you think you have found a good deal on an instrument, please email Ms. Cabrel-Watson bella.cabrel-watson@hallco.org and we can give you some guidance as to whether you are getting a quality instrument or not.
- 🎵 Instruments that are not the standard color and material (silver or gold metal for most instruments, black plastic/wood for clarinets/oboes) are **NEVER** good quality and should not be purchased.