

Beginning Percussion Information and Equipment List

Congratulations! You have been selected in percussion!

Here is what you need to know about obtaining an instrument. There are 10 items below. **You must have the first nine before summer camps or a student on the waiting list will be placed in the class.**

#10 will be needed when school starts. TIME TO DRUM!!!

___ **1. Drum Pad / Stand:**

Remo RT-0008-00/ST-1000-10, Vic Firth, Pearl, Ludwig

___ **2. Stick Bag (one of the following):**

Innovative Percussion SB3

___ **3. Snare Drum Sticks (one or more of the following):**

Innovative Percussion General IP-1

Innovative Percussion James Campbell JC1

___ **4. Keyboard Mallets (one or more of the following):**

Innovative Percussion F1.5 Yarn Mallet

Innovative Percussion ENS360 Rubber Mallet

___ **5. Medium Timpani Mallets:**

Innovative Percussion CT3

___ **6. Method Book 1: A Fresh Approach to Mallet Percussion, Mark Wessels Publications**

___ **7. Method Book 2: A Fresh Approach to Snare Drum, Mark Wessels Publications**

___ **8. Metronome / Tuner (MUST have tuner for timpani playing):**

Boss TU-80

Cherub WMT-555c

___ **9. Music Stand:**

Manhasset M48 - NO WIRE MUSIC STANDS PLEASE - Our binders are HUGE!

___ **10. Practice Marimba: (NOTE: this is a rent to own. See notes on following page)**

- *Marimba Warehouse MPM*

- *Adams AMPD30*

For the pad / books / etc (items 1-9) :

1. EASY = You can simply use one of these links to get everything you need for camp in one click:

<http://www.steveweissmusic.com/product/1129307/stick-mallet-pack>

<http://www.lonestarpercussion.com/Schools/Wester-MS-6th/>

2. OR (more difficult) = You may contact a local vendor to get all the supplies individually. This page details the supplies needed for camp and class. As you can see there are 10 items needed for class. **You only need items 1-9 for summer camp!**

LOCALLY:

Music & Arts Center
3211 Preston Road
Frisco, TX 75034
(972) 668-1176

Music 1st
6807 W Main St
Frisco, TX 75034
(469) 362-7171

WEB:

Woodwind & Brasswind
4004 Technology Dr.
South Bend, IN 46628
800-348-5003
www.wbw.com

The Percussion Source
1212 5th St.
Coralville, IA 52241
800-397-9378
www.percussionsource.com

For the marimba (item 10 – Needed by first week of school):

- *If you choose rent-to-own (recommended) you must choose Music and Arts, Music 1st, or Lone Star Percussion locally.* We recommend rent-to-own as it is the best option unless you are absolutely positive your child will play percussion for more than one year. Here are some very important reminders when renting:

1. **DO NOT PURCHASE INSURANCE!** Marimba warehouse will send you string if your string breaks – there is really nothing else that goes wrong with proper care. This will save you \$60/year!
2. **DO NOT TAKE THE INSTRUMENT HOME!** You should only be reserving the instrument. We will not start with these instruments until the 6th week of school so you do not want to pay for something you will not even use. They will be delivered to the school and you will be able to pick them up once they arrive (late September).
3. **PLEASE RESERVE YOUR MARIMBA EARLY.** Demand has *FAR* outweighed supply the last few years in August. Many students (thank goodness none of ours) have been left waiting for an instrument while their classmates were practicing away. My generic rule is “have everything done before August 1”.

The following is a brief list of businesses that deal in all the listed percussion supplies. Of course, each individual may obtain supplies however he or she sees fit. This list is only to aid each student in finding the best selection, prices, availability, etc. that he or she chooses. This is in no way an endorsement or recommendation for any of these companies.

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3211 Preston Road
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Music 1st
6807 W Main St
Frisco, TX 75034
(469) 362-7171

Lone Star Percussion
10611 Control Place
Dallas, TX 75238
(866) 792-0143

LMS / WMS Beginning Percussion Summer Camp

In the summer we offer a camp for everyone to get a head-start on their percussion career and make sure everyone has the correct items and understand them before school starts. The camp is just 2 hours and is offered twice to accommodate everyone’s busy summer schedule. At this camp:

- Students learn how to put together instruments and work as part of a “team”
- Students learn how to store, maintain, and carry their instruments
- We give out binders for their books and music!
- We even play a short demonstration concert for the parents at the end- HOW COOL!

If you absolutely cannot make one of these camps please let me know immediately! If a student is a “no show” we typically call up students from the waiting list to replace them as we need at least 8 percussionists to start the year. It is of the utmost importance that you come to camp and get started correctly. Then you may begin private lessons and start to DRUM! I am looking forward to a great year!

Please let us know via email which camp you plan to attend. Please only choose one.
They are exactly the same. All camps are at Centennial High School Band Hall.

_____ **Camp 1 – ????? @ CHS**

_____ **Camp 2 – ????? @ CHS**

You will need ALL your equipment (items 1-9) for camp.
Don’t forget a pencil!

Any student who wishes to complement their learning may sign up for private lessons **AFTER** meeting with Mr. Wallace and setting up equipment or after the camp. Information on lessons will be available at the camps.