



*Welcome to the
Cabot Junior High Band*



Beginner Clarinet

You will need to obtain a clarinet (preferably wood) with the proper mouthpiece and ligature. Listed below are brands and models of clarinets that we recommend. There are other brands available. However, we have had the best luck with these particular brands.

Preferred Clarinets:

Student Model: Designed for beginners and are meant to provide an excellent start for the first one to two years of playing:

- **Jupiter 631NM (plastic)**

Intermediate Model: Made of better quality materials and have improved keywork, a more focused and centered sound, and improved pitch. (In general, the wooden clarinets have a better sound than the plastic.)

- **Buffet E11(wood)**
- **Selmer CL200 (wood)**
- **Yamaha YCL 400AD (wood)**
- **Yamaha YCL 200AD (plastic)**

Professional Clarinet: Designed and crafted for professional musicians and are very popular among serious high school and college students.

- **Buffet R13 (wood)**

Preferred mouthpieces

Vandoren 5RV Lyre
Hite Premier
Fobes Debut

Preferred Ligature:

Rovner Bb Clarinet Ligature
Bonade Inverted Bb Clarinet Ligature Model 225 OU

In addition to the above, the student will need:

1. A continuing supply of Bb Clarinet Reeds: Vandoren Rue Lepic size 3 ½+
2. Premiere Performance Book 1 for clarinet
3. A cloth cleaning swab (Do not get a felt swab)
4. Cork Grease
5. Reed Holder – Preferred – Vandoren Reed Case
6. Music stand for home practice
7. Pencil

It is extremely important that each student have his/her instrument and all other equipment by the first week of school next fall. Most reputable music stores will be willing to make a “package” deal to include most of the necessary items with the instrument. If you purchase a used instrument, please have a repairman look over the instrument to make sure it is in proper working condition. Should you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact us!

Thank you for your support and welcome to band!

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