



# Draper Intermediate Patriot Band

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Dear Future Band Parent:

Your child is about to start a very challenging and rewarding part of his or her education: learning to play a musical instrument. Parental support is a very critical part to each child's success, and the attached information will give you the guidance necessary to help you get your child off to a great start!

Included in this packet, you will find a list of all the necessary supplies that your child will need to get started in the band program at Draper. **Please take this packet to one of the Instrument Rental Nights at Draper or to the music store when you go to select an instrument.** **In order to start classes on time in August it is necessary for your child to have their instrument and supplies the first week of school.**

One of the greatest concerns when a student starts on an instrument is the quality of the equipment. It is difficult enough to learn a band instrument without also having to "fight" an inferior instrument. The list of instruments and equipment in this packet have been **CAREFULLY** selected with the following criteria:

- 1) Reliability
- 2) Durability
- 3) Affordability
- 4) Quality of workmanship
- 5) Will be appropriate for a typical student in our program for two or three years

The brands listed will also have good resale value if you ever sell the instrument or "step-up" to a higher quality instrument in the future. Since most parents are not experts on brands and models of musical instruments, **we request that you do not purchase or rent instruments not on this list without first consulting us.**

You may do business with any store in which you feel comfortable, but be cautious with regard to being told "... this instrument is just as good." **We have chosen the instruments in this packet with the success of your child in mind. Most music stores give out their best rentals early. Make arrangements as soon as possible.** Feel free to e-mail me at Draper if you are confused or unsure. There are MANY beginning band students in the area that will be looking for instruments, so try to pre-reserve your instrument. If you rent or purchase an instrument from a source other than a music dealer, it is strongly suggested that you have us check it out before you obligate yourself.

We are very excited to have you in our band program! Learning an instrument takes time, and we will do our best to help each student succeed. All we ask is that the students come to us with enthusiasm and a desire to work hard and do their best.

Musically yours,

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## **PERCUSSION EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS**

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE **REQUIRED** INSTRUMENTS AND SUPPLIES  
FOR ALL BEGINNING PERCUSSIONISTS:

### **Drum Practice Pad**

- 1) 12" Real Feel (HQRF12D) or Vic Firth (PAD12D)

### **Drum Pad Stand**

- 1) Yamaha SS740A Snare Stand

### **Keyboard Instrument**

- 1) Marimba Warehouse Model MWX Xylophone

### **Sticks and Mallets**

***ALL of the following sticks and mallets are required.***

- 1) 1 pair Innovative Percussion Model IP-LD Snare Drum Sticks
- 2) 1 pair Promark Model PSX10R Xylophone Mallets
- 3) 1 Promark Model DSB1 Mallet Bag *or equivalent*

### **Other Supplies**

***ALL of the following supplies are required.***

- 1) Hamilton Model KB400N Wire Music Stand *or equivalent*
- 2) Boss DB30 Metronome

### **Supply Fee:**

**\$55 for book, shirt, and basic binder supplies**

**LOOK ON THE BACK OF THIS PAGE FOR  
PERCUSSION INSTRUMENT AND SUPPLY SOURCES**



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## POSSIBLE SOURCES FOR PURCHASING PERCUSSION SUPPLIES

Prices, credit policies, rental plans, repair plans, etc. may vary greatly among different companies, so we recommend you check several sources before making a final decision.

Also, it may not be possible to purchase *all* of the recommended supplies from the same company. For instance, the recommended Marimba Warehouse MWX Xylophone is only available from Marimba Warehouse, Inc. While this may prove to be a little inconvenient for the shopper, our main goal is to find the best instruments available at the best value possible.

Listed below are several available sources for the required percussion instruments and supplies. This is just a partial list of available music retailers. The retailers below are listed in alphabetical order:

### **Ballard Street Music Company**

108 North Ballard Street  
Wylie, Texas  
972-429-0047  
www.ballardmusic.com

***Ballard Street Music Company is a full service local music dealer that offers rental, purchase, and repair for a wide variety of musical instruments.***

### **Interstate Music**

(800) 982-2263  
www.interstatemusic.com

***Interstate Music is an internet-based mail order music supplier.***

### **Lone Star Percussion**

10611 Control Place  
Dallas, TX 75238  
(214) 340-0835  
www.lonestarpercussion.com

***Lone Star Percussion specializes in percussion instruments and accessories with thousands of percussion-related items in stock and often at discounted prices compared to other retailers.***

### **McKay Music Company**

435 W. I-30  
Garland, TX 75043.  
(972) 240-0074

***McKay Music Company is a full service local music dealer that offers rental, purchase, and repair for a wide variety of musical instruments***

### **Music and Arts Center**

109 Central Expy N # 517  
Allen, TX 75013  
(214) 383-1737  
www.musicarts.com

***Music and Arts is the only supplier of the recommended MWX Xylophone. We highly recommend this instrument due its affordability and quality!***

***They are a full service local music dealer that offers rental, purchase, and repair for a wide variety of musical instruments.***

### **Williamson Music Company**

701 East Plano Pkwy, Suite 100  
Plano  
972-516-1331  
www.williamsonmusicco.com

***Williamson Music Company is a full service local music dealer that offers rental, purchase, and repair for a wide variety of musical instruments.***

### **Woodwind & Brasswind**

(800) 266-5962  
www.wwbw.com

***Woodwind & Brasswind is an internet-based mail order music supplier.***