

Timber Creek High School Band Program

Instrument Choices

Flute

1st Choice – Yamaha YFL-461 Series Intermediate Flute

Woodwind Brasswind currently lists it from \$1,652.99-\$1,850.99 depending on certain features purchased

2nd Choice - Gemeinhardt 3SHB Series Intermediate Flute

Woodwind Brasswind lists from \$849-\$948

**Overall things to remember for purchasing an intermediate flute –

Good brands to consider – Yamaha, Gemeinhardt, Pearl. All of these brands have different price levels and features with good quality.

Material – solid silver head, body and foot are best but cost the most. When trying to save money, at least make sure the head joint is solid silver. Solid silver offers a warmer, richer tone quality than plated silver.

Must haves – B-foot joint, open holes and off-set G keys are available for those students with really small hands

Piccolo

1st Choice – Yamaha YPC-62 Professional Model Piccolo (yes, it's professional but there are less piccs to buy in the world than flutes)

Woodwind Brasswind lists at \$1,998.99

2nd Choice – Pearl PFP-105 Intermediate Grenaditte Piccolo (grenaditte is a new composite material that isn't quite grenadine wood but is higher quality than plastic)

Woodwind Brasswind lists at \$995

**Overall things to remember for purchasing a piccolo –

Good brands to consider – Yamaha, Pearl, Gemeinhardt

Material – I never recommend a silver head joint and body picc to a student. Silver is too shrill for a picc and professionals do not use them. Grenadine wood is the best material for a picc but costs the most. Also, students who want to play the same picc in marching (not recommended) and concert band might like the new grenaditte composite since it is resistant to cracking.

Optional features to look for – Split E-mechanism – makes playing E and life in general much easier!

Eb Clarinet

Best & Standard: Buffet E-11 Eb

<http://www.buffet-crampon.com/en/instruments.php?mode=productDetails&pid=719>

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Clarinet

Best & Standard: Buffet R-13 Clarinet!!

<http://www.buffet-crampon.com/en/instruments.php?mode=productDetails&pid=847>

Secondary Option: Buffet France E-11

<http://www.buffet-crampon.com/en/instruments.php?mode=productDetails&pid=842>

Bass Clarinet

Buffet

Selmer

Saxophones

Selmer

Or vintage repaired

Trumpet

Best:

Yamaha Xeno

<http://usa.yamaha.com/products/musical-instruments/winds/trumpets/bb-trumpets/ytr-8335rgs/?mode=model>

[http://shop.ebay.com/i.html?rt=nc&_nkw=yamaha+xeno+trumpet&_dmpt=Brass Instruments&_sop=15&_trksid=p3286.c0.m301](http://shop.ebay.com/i.html?rt=nc&_nkw=yamaha+xeno+trumpet&_dmpt=Brass+Instruments&_sop=15&_trksid=p3286.c0.m301)

Standard:

Bach Stradivarius model 37

<http://www.bachbrass.com/instruments/product.php?model=LR180S72&category=Trumpets>

[http://shop.ebay.com/i.html?_trkparms=65%253A12%257C66%253A2%257C39%253A1%257C72%253A4820&rt=nc&_nkw=bach+stradivarius+trumpet&_dmpt=Brass Instruments&_sticky=1&_trksid=p3286.c0.m14&_sop=15&_sc=1](http://shop.ebay.com/i.html?_trkparms=65%253A12%257C66%253A2%257C39%253A1%257C72%253A4820&rt=nc&_nkw=bach+stradivarius+trumpet&_dmpt=Brass+Instruments&_sticky=1&_trksid=p3286.c0.m14&_sop=15&_sc=1)

F Horn

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Trombone

All are equally best:

Bach 42BO (Do not buy new)

<http://shop.ebay.com/i.html?rt=nc& nkw=yamaha+xeno+trumpet& dmpt=Brass Instruments& sop=15& trksid=p3286.c0.m301>

Conn 88H (Do not buy new)

<http://shop.ebay.com/i.html? nkw=Conn+88H& sacat=0& sop=15& odkw=Conn+88HO& osacat=0& trksid=p3286.c0.m270.l1313>

Yamaha Xeno

<http://shop.ebay.com/i.html? nkw=Xeno+Trombone& sacat=0& sop=15& odkw=Conn+88H& osacat=0& trksid=p3286.c0.m270.l1313>

Euphonium

Best:

Wilson 2950 or above

http://www.wilson.ch/instr_e/euphonium/euph2950ta-e.html

<http://shop.ebay.com/i.html? nkw=Wilson+Euphonium& sacat=0& sop=15& odkw=Xeno+Trombone& osacat=0& trksid=p3286.c0.m270.l1313>

Standard:

Yamaha 642II or 842 (Not 201 or 321)

<http://usa.yamaha.com/products/musical-instruments/winds/euphoniums/yep-642ii/?mode=model>

<http://shop.ebay.com/i.html? nkw=Yamaha+Euphonium& sacat=0& sop=15& odkw=Wilson+Euphonium& osacat=0& trksid=p3286.c0.m270.l1313>

Tuba

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