**Gifts for Young Musicians!**

**Tuners/Metronomes:**

*Practicing with a metronome can help any beginning musician from slowing down or rushing as they practice alone. The tuner is also a great feature to make sure their instrument and embouchure are properly set-up to play the right pitch!*

“Korg TM60BK Tuner/Metronome” ($22.99)

**Instrument Stands:**

*An instrument stand allows students to leave their instrument set up all the time, so whenever they have 10 minutes to practice it is ready to go. Students are much more likely to WANT to practice if they don’t have to take the time to set-up their instrument!*

Flute: “Hercules Stands Travlite Flute Stand” ($25.99)

Clarinet: “K&M Clarinet Stand 15222” ($17.99)

Saxophone: “Hercules Stands Portable Auto-Grab Sax Stand” ($42.95)

French Horn: “Hercules Stands DS550BB Series French Horn Stand with Carrying Bag” ($39.99)

Trumpet: “K&M 5-Leg In-Bell Trumpet Stand” (25.99)

Trombone: “Hamilton KB510 Trombone Stand” ($19.99)

**Mouthpiece Upgrades:**

*A new mouthpiece can change everything about a young musician’s sound! These upgrades can make an instrument easier to play and set the foundation for a beautiful tone.*

Clarinet: Yamaha 4C Bb Clarinet Mouthpiece” ($29.93)

Saxophone: “Yamaha 5C Alto Sax Mouthpiece” ($28.54)

French Horn: “Holton Farkas Series French Horn Mouthpiece in Silver – Silver Medium Cup (MC)” ($59.00)

Trumpet: “Blessing Trumpet Mouthpieces in Silver 5C- Trumpet in Silver” ($25.11)

Trombone/Baritone:

* “Blessing Trombone Mouthpiece with Small Shank 12C Small Shank in Silver” ($34.86)
* “Blessing Trombone Mouthpiece with Large Shank 6 ½ Al Large Shank in Silver” ($39.67)

**Instrument Accessories:**

*Each instrument has its own set of necessary accessories to ensure it is operating at its highest level, so it’s always good to have extra on hand!*

Clarinet:

* “Rico Royal Bb Clarinet Reeds Strength 2.5” ($18.99)
* “BG Small, Black Clarinet Mouthpiece Patches” ($6.49)
* “APM Bb Clarinet Ligature” ($8.00)

Alto Saxophone:

* “Rico Royal Alto Saxophone Reeds Strength 2.5” ($23.49)
* “BG Small, Black Saxophone Mouthpiece Patches” ($6.49)
* “APM Saxophone Ligature” ($8.00)
* “Pro Tec Padded Saxophone Neck Strap with Swivel Snap” (15.95)

French Horn/Trumpet/Trombone/Baritone:

* “Al Cass Fast Valve, Slide, and Key Oil” ($6.99)

Percussion Accessories:

* “Vic Firth Snare Drum Sticks Wood 5B”($9.49)
* “Innovative Percussion Ensemble Series Hard Rubber Mallet” ($34.78)

**Instrument Upgrades:**

*An instrument upgrade is the ultimate gift for a beginning musician! Often the instruments that beginners start on are more difficult to play than higher level models, so it is truly a gift that will serve your student for years to come.*

**Highly Recommended:**

Woodwind Instruments:

* Gemeinhardt
* Yamaha
* Armstrong
* Jupiter
* Buffet
* Selmer
* Conn
* Bundy

Brass Instruments:

* Bach
* Yamaha
* Getzen
* King
* Conn
* Holton
* Bundy
* Besson
* Selmer

**Do Not Recommend:**

* Vito, Accent, or Eastman Brand Instruments
* Instruments purchased through department stores (i.e. Walmart, Sam’s Club, etc.)
* Instruments purchased online (i.e. Amazon, eBay, Facebook, Craigslist, etc.) UNLESS inspected by a music professional

**Items are available for purchase from the following retailers:**

**Woodwind and Brasswind**

wwbw.com

(800)346-4448

**Robert M. Sides**

rmsides.com

201 Mulberry Street

Williamsport, PA 17701

(570)326-2094

**Amazon**

amazon.com

(888)280-3321