



## Welcome to Bixby 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band!

We are excited to have your student in band at Bixby Public Schools! Bixby has an excellent reputation of award-winning bands, and we are glad that you have made the choice to become a part of this fine organization.

- Please join our 6<sup>th</sup> grand band Remind group for announcements throughout the year. To join, text “@bixby6band” to 81010. Let your band director know if you have any questions.
- During the first few days of class, we will be assessing students on the four primary instruments (flute, clarinet, trumpet, and trombone) plus percussion. We will then help students determine the instrument they will be most successful with.
- Students **do not** need to get an instrument until all instrument selections have been made in class.
- Once instrument selections have been made, we will let the students know what supplies they will need to purchase. We have professionally tested and picked the best beginner instruments from local stores so you and your student can rest assured they are getting a quality instrument that will last. We strongly discourage purchasing instruments online or through unknown vendors due to their fast depreciation and repair shops’ inability to fix them regularly.
- **Flute and Percussion Rentals:** Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup> 2019 from 3:30pm-6:30pm @ North Intermediate Cafeteria. Saied’s Music provides our flute and percussion materials
  - Flute and Percussion students will begin using instruments on **Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>**.
- **Clarinet, Trumpet, and Trombone Rentals:** Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> 2019 from 3:30pm-6:30pm @ North Intermediate Cafeteria. Barnett Music Exchange provides our clarinet, trumpet, and trombone materials.
  - Clarinet, Trumpet, and Trombone students will begin using instruments on **Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>**.

If you cannot make these meeting times, you are more than welcome to go to these music stores any time to get an instrument on your own. These times are simply set up for your convenience.

We are looking forward to a great year! If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact a director!

### **Bixby Band Staff**

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## Prescribed Instrument List

### Flute

Trevor James 10X

Available at Saied's Music Company

### Trumpet

John Packer JP251SW Silver  
Bach 5C mouthpiece

Available at Barnett Music Exchange  
Available at Tulsa Band

### Clarinet

Buffet Premium  
Vandoren 5RV mouthpiece

Available at Barnett Music Exchange

### Trombone

John Packer JP231 Rath  
Bach 6 1/2 mouthpiece

Available at Barnett Music Exchange  
Available at Tulsa Band