

Brown-Barge Middle School

Orchestra Supply List

Orchestra students will need to have their supplies by Friday, August 25th.

Some students who sign up for orchestra are undecided about which instrument they want to play. That's okay! During the first week of school we will explore each orchestra instrument, and I will make sure that each student is on the instrument that is best suited for him/her. I encourage students that have played the violin in 5th grade to explore the viola, cello, or double bass this school year. Every instrument in the orchestra is wonderful, and is a *lot* of fun to learn! By the above date, each one of you will know what instrument will be just right for you. ☺

(Please wait to purchase/rent an instrument until the first week of school. Your child must be sized before you choose an instrument! Students will get frustrated on instruments that are too big or too small for them.)

The student must bring a pencil, class folder, method book, and instrument with required accessories to class every day. Failure to do so will reflect poorly on their grade.

Violin This instrument must be rented or purchased from a local music store. Supplies: Rosin, microfiber cloth or polish cloth, extra set of strings, and Orchestra Expressions Violin Book 1 (6th Grade - Orchestra 1), OR Sound Innovations Violin Book 2 (7th Grade – Orchestra 2), OR Expressive Techniques for Orchestra Violin Book (8th Grade – Orchestra 3).

Viola This instrument must be rented or purchased from a local music store. Supplies: Rosin, microfiber cloth or polish cloth, extra set of strings, and Orchestra Expressions Viola Book 1 (6th Grade - Orchestra 1), OR Sound Innovations Viola Book 2 (7th Grade – Orchestra 2), OR Expressive Techniques for Orchestra Viola Book (8th Grade – Orchestra 3).

Cello This instrument is available for your child to use while at school. **You must rent or purchase one for home use and transport to concerts.** Supplies: Rosin, Rock Stop *with strap*, microfiber cloth or polish cloth, and Orchestra Expressions Cello Book 1 (6th Grade - Orchestra 1), OR Sound Innovations Cello Book 2 (7th Grade – Orchestra 2), OR Expressive Techniques for Orchestra Cello Book (8th Grade – Orchestra 3).

Bass This instrument is available for your child to use while at school. **You must rent or purchase one for home use and transport to concerts.** Supplies: Rosin, microfiber cloth or polish cloth, and Orchestra Expressions Bass Book 1 (6th Grade - Orchestra 1), OR Sound Innovations Bass Book 2 (7th Grade – Orchestra 2), OR Expressive Techniques for Orchestra Bass Book (8th Grade – Orchestra 3).

Additional Supplies (highly recommended, not required): tuner and metronome (one each, or a 2-in-1)

By signing this form, you acknowledge that you have read and provided the above materials for your child to participate successfully in Orchestra. DUE FRIDAY, AUGUST 25.

Parent/Guardian Signature(s) _____ Date _____