



- Woodwind Survival Guide -

Important reminders to help you get started!

All Band Members

1. Make sure you are in our Google Classroom.
2. Bring to every class (in-person & virtual): instrument, pencil, & folder.
3. All students are required to purchase "Habits of a Successful Middle School Musician."
 - a. Please have this book in your possession by October 5th.
 - b. Vendor options are listed at www.ojrsd.com/mrhess.
 - c. Be sure to buy the version for your instrument.
4. Practice at home about 3-4 times per week.
 - a. Complete weekly Home Practice assignments (use Wednesday!)
5. Once we return to school in the building:
 - a. Full bands will rehearse during WIN period when it is safe to do so.
 - b. Info on instrument bell covers and mask requirements coming soon.

Oboes, Bassoons, Clarinets, & Saxophones

1. Reeds are not provided. You should always have at least two good reeds in your case. Switch back and forth between these reeds every time you play your instrument.
2. Put the reed in your mouth as soon as you take it out of the case.
3. Do not leave your reed on the mouthpiece when putting the instrument in your case.

4. Swab out your instrument after every use.