



# Rice Middle School 2019-2020 Beginning Band



## Oboe

### Supply List and Information Packet

**This packet contains important information about joining the Rice Raven Beginning Band. Please keep it in a safe place.**

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# Congratulations! You are playing the

# OBOE!

## Here Are the Next Steps

### Getting Your Instrument

Plano ISD issues oboes to students for an \$85 annual usage fee. By enrolling in the band as an oboist, your instrument will already be reserved for you. Many oboists like to take private lessons over the summer to get a head start on the year. If you would like to do this, you will need to contact Mrs. Mitchell (see below) as soon as possible to reserve your spot. We will be able to issue your instrument after school on May 21<sup>st</sup> if you are taking summer lessons. If you will not be taking lessons over the summer, we will issue your instrument when we return to school in August.

You will need to provide your own supplies for class. On the following pages, you will find our supply list and a list of local music stores.

### Sign Up for Private Lessons

The oboe is a special instrument, and private lessons are necessary for student success. Private lessons are currently \$20 per week for a 25 minute lesson. Updated contact information for private teachers can be found on our website ([www.RiceMSBand.com](http://www.RiceMSBand.com)). Our current private instructor for oboe is:

Aryn Mitchell

[lessons4u@verizon.net](mailto:lessons4u@verizon.net)

469-939-9715

### Get Excited About Band!

Come to our “Welcome to Band Bash!” on April 12<sup>th</sup>! Tell your friends about your instrument selection! We also usually have a head-start camp for oboes and bassoons a week or two before school starts. We are working on this and will contact you when we have more information.



# Oboe Supply List

Your instrument will be provided by the school for an annual usage fee. The directors will send an Instrument Usage Agreement home on the first day of school. If you would like to start private lessons over the summer, you will be able to check out an instrument on or after May 21st. More information will be provided about summer instrument check-out in May.

You will need to purchase the items below from a local music store.



Accent on Achievement Book 1 for Oboe  
(Book 2 will be needed after spring break)



Gekeler Method for Oboe Book 1



Metronome/Tuner Combo with Pick-up  
(Recommended Model: Korg TM-60,C-22)



Oboe Reed Case (3+ reeds)



Tube of Cork Grease



Silk Oboe Swab



Music Stand for Home Practice

Please obtain the following special items as well:



Three Bluebonnet Oboe Reeds from Ms. Aryn Mitchell at [lessons4u@verizon.net](mailto:lessons4u@verizon.net)



One empty medicine pill bottle.

The items below can be purchased as a package from the band in the fall. If you prefer, you may also purchase them on your own.



**Black** Heavy-Duty 3-Ring View Binder  
(1.5" Thick)



5" X 7" Acrylic Mirror (no glass)



8-Tabbed Dividers



Pencil



3-Hole Pencil Pouch



Instrument Case Tag

# Important Reminders

Our approved materials have been selected for their quality and value. This includes a combination of factors such as cost, durability, quality of sound, and longevity.

If you pick up your child's instrument before starting school or beginning private lessons, it is important to store it in a climate-controlled location.

Do not allow your child to handle his or her instrument before starting school or beginning private lessons. Instruments can be easily damaged if handled incorrectly.

Do not allow your child to try "self-teaching" or to learn from a neighbor, family member, etc. Students who do this almost always learn bad habits which take more time to correct, putting your child behind the class from the very beginning.

Instrument Insurance is available from an independent carrier and sometimes through your homeowner's or renter's insurance agent. Go to our website for more information if you are interested. Many vendors also offer insurance and service plans. We will teach your child how to properly care for his or her instrument.

# Where to Get Your Materials

Oboes are provided by the Plano Independent School District.  
You will need to purchase your other items from the supply list.

The businesses listed below are approved vendors for Plano ISD and provided for your convenience. Neither Plano ISD nor the Rice MS Band endorses any specific vendor.

## Local Oboe Specialty Store

### Bocal Majority Oboe and Bassoon Store

420 N. Coit Rd.  
Richardson, Texas  
214-377-8278  
bocalmajoritystore.com

## Local Full-Service Music Stores

### Music & Arts Frisco Location

3211 Preston Road #14  
Frisco, Texas  
972-668-1176  
musicarts.com

### Music & Arts Allen Location

109 Central Expressway, Suite 517  
Allen, Texas  
214-383-1737  
musicarts.com

### The Band Connection

1210 West McDermott (Advantage Storage)  
Allen, Texas  
214-383-4885  
band-connection.com

### Williamson's/Music 1<sup>st</sup> Plano Location

701 East Plano Pkwy  
Plano, TX  
972-516-1331  
wm1st.com

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### Brook Mays Music Company

6921 Independence Pkwy #120  
Plano, TX  
972-618-3222  
brookmays.com