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

SAXOPHONE!

Here Are the Next Steps

**Reserve Your Instrument**
It is best to go to a music store as soon as possible to rent or purchase your instrument. Plano ISD does not rent or sell saxophones. On the following pages, you will find our supply list and a list of local music stores.

**Consider Private Lessons**
Some students like to get a head start before the school year with lessons from one of our approved professional saxophone specialists. 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). Our current private instructors for saxophone are:

- Dr. Brian Ransom  
  briansansom@hotmail.com  
  214-536-1860
- Dr. Chiaki Hanafusa  
  chanafus@hotmail.com  
  940-594-0833

**Get Excited About Band!**
Tell your friends about your instrument selection! Watch cool videos of your instrument on YouTube!
You will need to rent or purchase one of the instruments below from a music store. Please do not substitute a different model of instrument without first speaking to Mr. Tucker. Beware of cheap imitation instruments. Many of these play very poorly and can even contain materials, such as lead, that can be harmful to your child’s health. The instruments approved for use in the Rice Band have been carefully chosen based on the best value of cost versus quality.

You will need one of these saxophone models:
- **Preferred:** Yamaha YAS-26, YAS-23, or YAS-200AD
- **Alternate:** Selmer AS-400

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

- **Accent on Achievement Book 1 for Alto Saxophone**  
  (Book 2 will be needed after spring break)
- **Neotech Soft Neckstrap Strap**
- **Vandoren AL3 Mouthpiece**  
  (Do not use stock mouthpiece)
- **Rovner Inverted Ligature**  
  (Do not use stock ligature)
- **Saxophone Mouthpiece Cusion**  
  (Mr. Reyna will put this on your mouthpiece)
- **Metronome/Tuner Combo with Contact Mic**  
  (Recommended Model: Korg TM-60,C-22)
- **Box of Vandoren #2.5 Alto Saxophone Reeds**
- **La Voz Reedguard IV**
- **Saxophone Swab**
- **Tube of Cork Grease**
- **Music Stand for Home Practice**

The items below can be purchased as a package from the band (separate order form) or you may purchase them on your own.

- **Black Heavy-Duty 3-Ring View Binder**  
  (1.5” Thick)
- **8-Tabbed Dividers**
- **3-Hole Pencil Pouch**
- **5” X 7” Acrylic Mirror (no glass)**
- **Pencil**
- **Instrument Case Tag**
Important Reminders

Our approved instruments have been selected for their quality and value. This includes a combination of factors such as cost, durability, quality of sound, and longevity. Do not purchase a “cheap” instrument. There are a lot of these to be found online and even in department stores, but they seldom last more than a few weeks and are very difficult for students to play well, making them a waste of money rather than a bargain.* If you locate an instrument that is not one of our approved instruments, contact Mr. Tucker. We will be happy to inspect it and give you honest feedback about its quality and suitability before you purchase it.

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. 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.

*For legal purposes, we must disclose that these statements, though based on years of successful teaching experience, are professional opinions and are not necessarily factual.
Where to Get Your Instrument

Saxophones are not rented or sold by the Plano Independent School District. You will need to rent or purchase your instrument and 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 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 1st Frisco Location**
6807 Main Street
Frisco, TX
469-362-7171
wm1st.com

**Williamson’s/Music 1st Plano Location**
1301 K Ave
Plano, TX
972-516-1331
wm1st.com

**Brook Mays Music Company**
6921 Independence Pkwy #120
Plano, TX
972-618-3222
brookmays.com
BACK TO SCHOOL!

$5.00

$5.00 Covers Your First Month of Rental and Maintenance

Hassle-free rental process in-store or online at MusicArts.com/Rentals.
We carry all major, educator-approved name brands including:

and more!

THE MUSIC & ARTS PROMISE
Since 1952, Music & Arts has been steadfast in our commitment to musicians and educators to provide quality instruments and services, like affordable instrument rentals and guaranteed repairs. Music & Arts has been dedicated to servicing school music programs for over 65 years.

GROUP 1
$5
INITIAL PAYMENT COVERS 1 MONTHS
$30/MONTH THEREAFTER

GROUP 2
$5
INITIAL PAYMENT COVERS 1 MONTHS
$40/MONTH THEREAFTER

GROUP 3
$5
INITIAL PAYMENT COVERS 1 MONTHS
$50/MONTH THEREAFTER

*Optional LDW Rates and Applicable State Taxes Not Included – See associate for details

Pick your rental up at any of these locations, or choose your delivery option! Visit MusicArts.com/Rentals

ALLEN
(214) 383-1737
109 Central Expressway North
Suite 517

CEDAR HILL
(972) 293-1321
428 North Highway 67
Suite B1

FORT WORTH
(817) 306-4554
Tehama Ridge Towne Center
2301 Porter Creek Dr, Ste 219

FRISCO
(972) 668-1176
3211 Preston Road
Suite 14

GARLAND
(972) 530-9083
5435 North Garland Avenue
Suite 150

HURST
(817) 595-1511
1428 West Pipeline Road

LEWISVILLE
(972) 315-8400
360 East FM 3040
Suite 820

MCKINNEY
(214) 592-0566
1925 North Central Expressway
Suite 410

PLANO
(972) 424-1317
701 North Central Expressway
Suite 200

SHERMAN
(903) 421-0189
4026 North US-75

BAND HOUSE/MCKAY MUSIC
(972) 240-0074
Garland
435 West I-30

LANCASTER MUSIC
(972) 274-9767
Lancaster
902 N I-35 E

This is a consumer rental-purchase agreement with no obligation to continue renting after the Initial Period or to buy. Instruments may be used. Monthly payments after the Initial Period are voluntary and will be the same varying between $15.00 and $89.99 per month depending upon the instrument chosen. The length of the contract term for ownership is on average 36 months. Depending on the instrument, the Total Cost before any early purchase discount offers ranges from $200 to $3500. Example: Initial Payment: $5 plus 35 monthly payments of $30 each = $1055. Total Cost. No ownership rights until Total Cost is paid or early purchase option exercised. Rates advertised are valid from 5.26.20 to 10.26.20. Not all brands available at all locations. Other offers are available at participating locations. Visit us at www.musicarts.com
SKIP THE LINE!

Rent your instrument and purchase the discounted accessory package specific to your school completely online at wm1st.com. Ship to your school or the nearest store location.

Reserve your supplies and rental before this discounted offer expires on July 15th, 2020.
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-$4 Maintenance, $1 LDW and tax

- Early Sign-up discounts!
- Rent to own-No contract termination fee
- Cancel anytime with no penalty
- Up to 15 months principal for ANY step-up
- In-store Repair (loaners provided)
- Online tutorials available
- Educational Rep. visits your director weekly
- 30% Early Payoff Discount
RENT TO OWN
A STRAIGHTFORWARD BEGINNING BAND INSTRUMENT RENTAL PROGRAM

WAYS TO RENT:
- CLICK • CALL • COME IN
Online rentals: www.BrookMays.com

RISK FREE...
- Return at any time or rent for the specified number of months and you will own the instrument Completely disclosed terms and an interest-free rental agreement with NO hidden fees
- All instruments are shop adjusted for optimal playing condition
- Superior maintenance and replacement coverage available
- “Director approved” brand name instruments

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Flute
- Packages From ONLY
- Closed hole $29.99*
- Open hole $39.99*

Clarinet
- Packages From ONLY
- Non wood $29.99*
- Wood $35.99*

Saxophone
- Packages From ONLY
- Alto $49.99*
- Tenor $59.99*

Trumpet or Cornet
- Packages From ONLY
- Brass
- Silver $29.99*

Trombone
- Packages From ONLY
- Tenor $29.99*
- Trigger $35.99*

Percussion
- Packages From ONLY
- Bell kit $25.99*
- Marimba $35.99*

Present this flyer to receive a $5 discount for a supply item or method book.

$5

Scan QR code for direct access to online rental.

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WAREHOUSE
8605 Carpenter Frwy.
Dallas,
TX 75247
214.905.8614

NORTH DALLAS
5756 LBJ Freeway
Dallas,
TX 75240
972.233.9633

ARLINGTON
3801 S. Cooper St.
Suite 117
Arlington, TX 76015
817.468.1500

PLANO
6921 Independence Pkwy.
Suite 120
Plano, TX 75023
972.618.3222

*Prices vary depending on brand, model & condition.
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ALQUILAR PARA COMPRAR

UN PROGRAMA SENCILLO PARA ALQUILER INSTRUMENTOS DE BAND

3 MANERAS FÁCILES DE ALQUILAR:
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Alquiler en línea: www.BrookMays.com

LIBRE DE RIESGO...
- ¡Devuelva en cualquier momento o alquile durante un tiempo específico y usted será dueño del equipo!
- Accesibles a sus necesidades y un contrato de alquiler sin intereses y sin cargos ocultos
- Todos los instrumentos son ajustados en el taller para óptimas condiciones de desempeño
- Mantenimiento superior y cobertura de reemplazo disponible
- Instrumentos de marca con “aprobación escolar”

Flute
- Paquetes desde Solamente
  - Agujero cerrado $29.99*
  - Hoyo abierto $39.99*
  - al mes

Clarinet
- Paquetes desde Solamente
  - No madera $29.99*
  - Madera $35.99*
  - al mes

Saxophone
- Paquetes desde Solamente
  - Alto $49.99*
  - Tenor $59.99*
  - al mes

Trumpet
- Paquetes desde Solamente
  - Latón $29.99*
  - Plata $35.99*
  - al mes

Cornet
- Paquetes desde Solamente
  - Latón $29.99*
  - Desencadenar $35.99*
  - al mes

Trombone
- Paquetes desde Solamente
  - Tenor $29.99*
  - Kit de campana $25.99*

Percussion
- Paquetes desde Solamente
  - $35.99*
  - al mes

¡PREGUNTE POR NUESTRAS OFERTAS DE LANZAMIENTO!

$5
Presente este volante para un descuento de $5 en un accesorio o un libro de método.

WAREHOUSE
8605 Carpenter Frwy.
Dallas,
TX 75247
214.905.8614

NORTH DALLAS
5756 LBJ Freeway
Dallas,
TX 75240
972.233.9633

ARLINGTON
3801 S. Cooper St.
Suite 117
Arlington, TX 76015
817.468.1500

PLANO
6921 Independence Pkwy.
Suite 120
Plano, TX 75023
972.618.3222

* Los precios varían dependiendo de la marca, modelo y estado.

ESCANEAR CÓDIGO QR PARA DIRECTO EL ACCESO A LOS ALQUILER ONLINE.

NO ESTAMOS CONTENTOS HASTA QUE USTED ESTE SATISFECHO
THE BAND CONNECTION
(8 minutes from Rice Middle School!)
www.band-connection.com
1210 W. McDermott, Suite 105 214-383-4885 (store)
Allen, TX 75013 214-458-0492 (business cell)

Lowest Instrument Prices In The Area!

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**Low Price Guarantee:** We will beat any advertised monthly rental price/plan on the same brand/model instrument from music stores servicing the area.

No long term contracts, NO interest, NO finance charges, NO hidden fees, NO credit checks!

2 Months FREE! –Ask how!

Reserve your instrument and all supplies online at www.band-connection.com (or come to our shop)

- Only the 1st month’s rental payment is due when reserving the instrument.
- Choose between rent-to-own option and equity building option
- All instruments are the brands and models that are recommended by the band directors.
- Large discount on supplies purchase for all rental instruments and school-owned instruments
- Free Delivery to the school for rental instruments and supplies (flute, clarinet, alto sax, trumpet, trombone, percussion)
- Free Delivery to the school for supplies for school-owned instruments (oboe, bassoon, French horn, euphonium, tuba)
- In-Store Full Service Repair Shop
- Serving Plano ISD band students since 2007

**Experienced, Knowledgeable & Caring Service:** My name is Billy Walker and I own and operate THE BAND CONNECTION. I served as a band director for 17 years (12 years in Allen, and 5 years in Richardson) before feeling a calling to leave full-time teaching in May, 2006. I opened up THE BAND CONNECTION in April, 2007. My wife Janice and I have lived and raised our family in the area north of Dallas for the past 36 years. We were band parents to all three of our children for 10 years as they were actively involved in the local band programs. I have been blessed to work with many wonderful students and parents over the years. With the opening of THE BAND CONNECTION, I am now in a new role of using my experience as a band director, band parent, and musician combined with a passion to serve and care for my customers.

“Every child who wants to play an instrument should have that opportunity regardless of financial hardships”

**Directions:** THE BAND CONNECTION is located 1 mile west of US 75 and just east of Alma.

**From the intersection of Alma and McDermott:** Head east on McDermott (toward US 75). You will pass a Braum’s and a Care Now on your left. The very next turn-in on your left is for the Advantage Storage Facilities and Just Tires. Turn left into the Advantage Storage parking lot and park in one of the spaces in front of the gate. THE BAND CONNECTION is located in an office suite (Suite 105) directly on the other side of the gate. Use the walk-through door gate that is immediately to the right of the drive-through gate.

**Business Hours:** Monday-Friday 3:00-6:00, Saturday 10:00-2:00, Sunday –CLOSED (Extended Back-to School Hours)