



Mt. Ararat High School Band

INDIVIDUAL PERCUSSION EQUIPMENT

All Mt. Ararat High School percussionists are expected to have their own mallets and sticks. We recommend the following basic equipment:

- Stick Bag
- 1 Pair- Snare Drum Sticks
- 1 Pair- Blue Yarn Cymbal Mallets
- Timpani Mallets- Medium

Additionally, more advanced players should own some additional equipment:

- Serious timpani players should own an assortment of timpani mallets of varying types (e.g. Soft, Hard, Staccato, Wood)
- Drum set players need a pair of brushes
- Mallet players should have an assortment of mallets of various materials. Different color yarn mallets are made of different materials and produce different sounds on the various keyboard percussion instruments (e.g. yellow yarn is a hard mallet, blue yarn is a medium mallet, red yarn is a soft mallet).

A serious percussion player can never have enough mallets. You should be adding to your collection on a regular basis and taking care of the mallets you have by keeping them in your stick bag and ***NEVER letting other players borrow them.***

These items are available through many local sources, including: Music and Moore in the Topsham Fair Mall; The Music Center in the Tontine Mall; Music and Arts in West Falmouth (1-800-873-2888- they deliver to the school); Carroll's Music in Lewiston, Northern Kingdom Music in Rockland; and, Portland Percussion.

Good brand names to buy are: Ludwig, Vic Firth, Zildjian, American Drum, Yamaha and Pro Mark.