

## **Grade 10-12 Percussion Policies:**

Percussionists in High School need to provide their own sticks, mallets, and stick bag for the percussion instruments they will be using. This will be used (and added to) throughout their time at CHS. When they graduate (or if they were to leave) they may sell their material to incoming percussion students if interested.

Below are the items that each percussionist will be asked to purchase and bring to class within the first two weeks of the beginning of school. The brands are optional, you may purchase higher quality if you would like. Students will also be required to pay a yearly fee of \$30 for rental of the percussion equipment (to help subsidize maintenance and purchasing costs). This will appear on your school fees.

Stick Bag (Aprox. \$20):

- This bag should have pockets to organize different mallets, be closeable, (preferably with a zipper), and be black in colour (to blend with our concert attire).
- One option is here: [https://www.long-mcquade.com/18803/Drums/Bags\\_Cases/Sonor/Sonor Stick Bag.htm](https://www.long-mcquade.com/18803/Drums/Bags_Cases/Sonor/Sonor_Stick_Bag.htm)

Drum Sticks: (Aprox. \$12 )

- These sticks should be 5A in size and have wooden tips
- Vic Firth is a good brand: [https://www.long-mcquade.com/312/Drums/Sticks Mallets Brushes/Vic Firth/5A American Classic Hickory Wood Tip.htm](https://www.long-mcquade.com/312/Drums/Sticks_Mallets_Brushes/Vic_Firth/5A_American_Classic_Hickory_Wood_Tip.htm)

Soft, Medium and Hard Yarn Mallets: (Aprox. \$25 )

- Many good brands. These Mike Balter mallets are sufficient
- [https://www.long-mcquade.com/4489/Drums/Sticks Mallets Brushes/Mike Balter Mallets/Yarn Mallets - Medium Blue.htm](https://www.long-mcquade.com/4489/Drums/Sticks_Mallets_Brushes/Mike_Balter_Mallets/Yarn_Mallets_-_Medium_Blue.htm)

Soft Timpani Mallets (Aprox. \$30 )

- Cheaper option [https://www.long-mcquade.com/18288/Drums/Sticks Mallets Brushes/Los Cabos Drumsticks/Timpani Mallets - Legato.htm](https://www.long-mcquade.com/18288/Drums/Sticks_Mallets_Brushes/Los_Cabos_Drumsticks/Timpani_Mallets_-_Legato.htm)
- Preferred option: Vic Firth T1 Mallets - [https://www.long-mcquade.com/2420/Drums/Sticks Mallets Brushes/Vic Firth/T1 American Custom Timpani Mallets - General.htm](https://www.long-mcquade.com/2420/Drums/Sticks_Mallets_Brushes/Vic_Firth/T1_American_Custom_Timpani_Mallets_-_General.htm)

It is also recommended for percussion students to have a practice pad at home (or snare drum) for snare drum practice. While these can be purchased, there are many alternatives that work well. Please talk to Mrs. Waterbury if interested in alternatives.