

**Pipestone Area Schools
Request for Acceptance of Donated Musical Instruments
August 2026 Board of Education Meeting**

To: Pipestone Area Board of Education

From:
Dr. Zachary Ploeger
Director of Bands

Date: August 6, 2026

Request

I respectfully request that the Pipestone Area Board of Education formally accept the donation of the musical instruments listed below so they may become the property of Pipestone Area Schools and be incorporated into the district's instructional inventory.

These instruments were purchased by the Pipestone Area Band Parents Association using funds that were donated specifically for the purchase of band instruments. The monetary gifts included:

- Brad and Kris Carson - \$1,000
- Pipestone Community Foundation - \$2,500
- Anonymous Donor - \$10,000

These generous contributions were designated with the specific purpose of ensuring that every student interested in participating in the Pipestone Area Schools Band Program has access to a quality instrument regardless of their family's financial circumstances.

Educational Impact

The Pipestone Area Schools Band Program continues to experience significant growth. This fall, the program welcomes its largest incoming beginning band class in many years, with nearly 60 fifth-grade students expected to participate.

The addition of these instruments ensures that every student who requires a school-owned instrument will have access to one, removing financial barriers to participation and allowing all students the opportunity to receive a high-quality music education.

The generosity of these donors, together with the support of the Pipestone Area Band Parents Association, represents an important investment in the educational opportunities available to students throughout the district.

Instruments Donated

Quantity	Instrument	Model	Price per Item	Item Total
3	Flute	Yamaha YFL-200ADII	385	1155
2	Clarinet	Jupiter JCL710N	410	820
2	Alto Saxophone	Jupiter JAS710NA	933	1866
2	Trumpet	Eastman ETR221	528	1056
1	Trombone	Eastman ETB221	539	539
1	Bass Clarinet	Jupiter JBC1000NA	2172	2172
1	Tenor Saxophone	Jupiter JTS700A	1689	1689

Total Instruments Donated: 12

Total Value of Donated Property: 9297

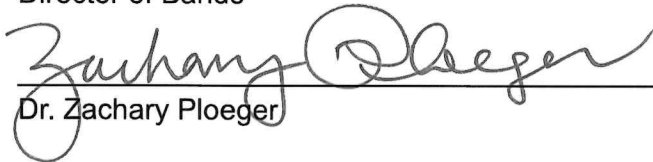
Available to Band Parent Association for future instrument purchase: 4203

Recommendation

It is respectfully recommended that the Pipestone Area Board of Education approve the acceptance of these donated musical instruments and authorize that they be added to the inventory of Pipestone Area Schools.

Signatures

Director of Bands


Dr. Zachary Ploeger

Date: August 7th, 2026

Principal

Mrs. Sonja Ortman

Date: _____

Superintendent

Dr. Klint Willert

Date: _____