

Cost of being in band 5th to 8th grade

CCCS Bands

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(These amounts are estimates, as they will possibly change depending on instrument, dealer prices etc.) - this list is only to give you an overview of expected cost

Overall Costs would include (depending on which instrument is played):

- \$20 per year on books
- Cost of individual instrument
- \$8-12 for T-Shirts
- \$2.50 per reed for Clarinet and Sax
- \$20 for Brass mouthpiece
- \$1-1.50 for mouthpiece brush
- \$20 for percussion sticks
- Additional money for lunches on trips

More details are listed below.

Not everyone pays for all items listed. For example a clarinet player does not need a brass mouthpiece and the brass players don't need reeds.

General cost:

- Books: "Tradition of Excellence" 5th grade Book 1, 6th grade Book 2, Theory book
 - About \$20 each year
- Starting in 6th grade, musicians should have their own instrument (exceptions are Tubas, Percussion instruments, possibly Baritones)
 - These cost greatly vary depending on the instrument, its quality, new/used etc. (Please never hesitate to contact me for suggestions or to check a used instrument)
- T-Shirt(s)
 - CCCS Band shirt for performances (\$8 to 12) - design changes every 3 to 4 years
 - 6th grade will also have a "Tour Shirt" (\$8 to 12)
- Reeds (Woodwinds)
 - Clarinets, Saxophones, Oboes, Bassoon need reeds regularly
 - They should always have 3 or 4 playable reeds in their cases and rotate
 - Clarinet and Alto Sax reeds are about \$2.50 each

- Oboe and Bassoon reeds are between \$12 and \$20 each
- Brass instrument players should get their own mouthpiece
 - (depends on instrument, upwards of \$20)
- Mouthpiece brushes (woodwinds and brass) - \$1 - 1.50
- Percussion have to have their own stick bag (\$20) with sticks/mallets:
 - 5th grade: bell kit (set of bells and snare drum/drum pad to practice at home)
 - 5th grade: two pair of concert snare drum sticks (\$12 each), pair of bell (Glockenspiel) mallets (\$25 - \$40)
 - 6th grade: **additional** triangle beaters (\$25 / Set of three), xylophone mallets (mediums) (\$30 - \$35 per set)
 - 7th grade: **additional** timpani mallets (\$25 - \$40 per set)
- Occasional lunch money for tours, field trips etc.