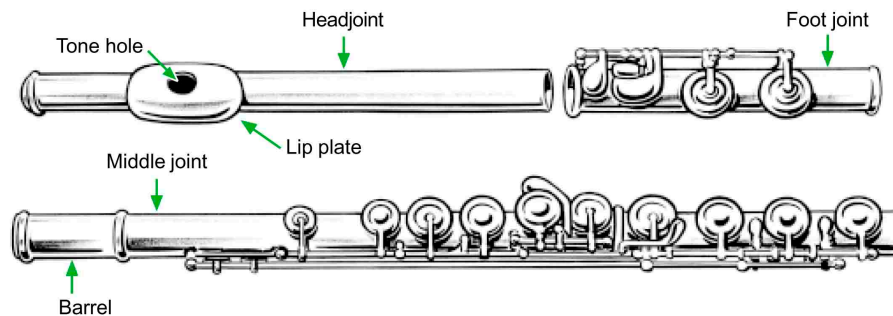


# FRASER BAND

## “HOW TO CARE FOR YOUR FLUTE”



### ASSEMBLY: HOW TO PUT YOUR FLUTE TOGETHER

- 1) Before you open your case, be sure that it is right side up.
- 2) Hold the body of the flute in your left hand. Only hold the body near the brand name (where there are no keys), and place the headjoint into the body with your right hand.
- 3) Be sure to line the embouchure hole up with the keys.
- 4) While still holding the body of your flute, gently grab the end joint and attach it to the body, with a gentle twisting motion. (This is where most keys can become bent!)
- 5) The footjoint keys should be centered with the post of the body (where the keys are attached.)

### WHEN YOU HAVE FINISHED PLAYING

- 1) Remove your headjoint and footjoint in the opposite order you put them on.
- 2) Fold your cleaning cloth in half and thread it through the hole of your cleaning rod. Wrap the cloth over the entire cleaning rod. The headjoint is the most important part to dry because the most condensation collects here. You should also dry the body of the flute by inserting the cleaning rod from one and side and then the other side. (Never pull it through your instrument because it may get stuck!)
- 3) Undo your cleaning cloth, fold it, and place it in your case near the headjoint. (There are less keys on this side to squish!)

### REGULAR MAINTENANCE

- 1) Do not polish the keys. Use a soft cloth to wipe off moisture and finger marks after playing.
- 2) To keep pads clean, don't eat candy or chew gum before playing and **never** while playing.
- 3) Do not let anyone else play your instrument. The flute is a delicate instrument, which must be handled carefully. If you must set it down during class, put it on a flat surface with the keys up.
- 4) Always keep your flute in its case when you are not playing it.

### SUPPLIES NEEDED

- 1) Flute, in good working order
- 2) Cleaning rod
- 3) Cleaning cloth