

## Trumpet, Baritone, and Tuba Cleaning Instructions

### You Will Need:

1. Bathtub and warm water
2. Liquid dish soap
3. Clean, lint-free towels
4. Cleaning snake\*
5. Valve brush or old toothbrush
6. Mouthpiece brush\*
7. Valve oil\*
8. Slide grease\*
9. Polishing cloth\*

\*These items are usually included in a cleaning kit which can be found online or at your local music store

### Process:

1. Run warm water in bathtub adding some dish soap
2. Remove valves and lay on a soft surface (clean towel)
3. Remove all slides and valve end caps and soak in the tub for 20-30 minutes
4. Run valves under warm water (only the part you would oil) and wash with some dish soap. Pay particular attention to the ports or holes where “green” can accumulate. You can use an old toothbrush to carefully scrub the valves as well.

After the instrument has soaked:

5. Run snake through all the slides and openings except the valve casings \*\*\*Pay particular attention to the lead pipe as the most “gunk” collects there\*\*\*
6. Use an old toothbrush or valve brush to clean the valve casings and end caps
7. Rinse all parts inside and out with warm running water and place on a towel to drain/air dry
8. When dry, apply slide grease to all slides and replace. Apply a small amount of grease to the threads on the end caps and replace. Apply valve oil to valves and replace.
9. Polish instrument with a polishing cloth or soft rag/towel

**You should clean your instrument every few months and after you have been sick**