CARING FOR YOUR TROMBONE

TAKING YOUR TROMBONE OUT OF ITS CASE:

1. Lay your case flat on the floor or a table with the bell end of the case (the wider side) to your right and carefully open the case.
2. Grab your trombone on the bell side of the instrument and place it in your left hand with the slide receiver facing you.
3. With your right hand, very slowly pull the slide out of its pocket in the case. Check to make sure that the slide lock is locked so that the slide does not fall apart.
4. Gently push and twist the slide into the slide receiver so that they are at a right angle to one another as seen in the picture to the right.
5. Take the mouthpiece out of the case and gently push and twist it into the mouthpiece receiver (on the other side of the slide).
6. Unlock the slide lock so that you can play your trombone.
IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

There are many moving parts on your trombone that can be pulled out or unscrewed. Never pull out or unscrew any part of your trombone. These are for your teachers or an instrument repair professional to handle.

WHAT **NOT** TO DO WITH YOUR TROMBONE:

- Eat or drink things with sugar before you play.
- Place the trombone on the floor.
- Swing around your trombone case or trombone.
- Leave your trombone in the car or other place where it can be stolen.
- Place any object into your trombone.