## Orchestral String Sizing Guide

The best way to determine the appropriate size instrument for your child is to follow the recommendation of their orchestra teacher. If you are not able to do this, follow the steps below.

## Violin/Viola Sizing

Follow the diagram to the right and refer to the charts below to size the student. If the measurement suggests that your student is in between sizes, it's best to select the smaller size.

| Violin Size | Meas surement <br> (Neck to Middle of Palm) |
| :---: | :---: |
| $4 / 4$ | $231 / 2^{\prime \prime}+$ |
| $3 / 4$ | $221 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ |
| $1 / 2$ | $201 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ |
| $1 / 4$ | $181 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ |
| $1 / 8$ | $17 "$ |
| $1 / 10$ | $151 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ |
| $1 / 16$ | $141 / 4 "$ |

Viola Size
16.5"

16"
15.5"

15"
14"
$13 "$
12"
$11 "$

Measurement (Neck to Middle of Palm)
$271 / 4^{\prime \prime}+$ 26 1/2" $251 / 2 "$ 25"
$231 / 4 "$
22"
$201 / 4 "$
$181 / 4^{\prime \prime}$


## Cello/Bass Sizing

Refer to the charts below and use the player's height as the primary factor to determine the correct instrument size.
Cello Size $\quad$ Player's Height

4/4
3/4
1/2
1/4
1/8

Cello Size $\quad$ Player's Height
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54" - 62"
$48^{\prime \prime}-54^{\prime \prime}$
$44^{\prime \prime}-48^{\prime \prime}$
Under 44"

| Bass size |
| :---: |
| $3 / 4$ |
| $1 / 2$ |
| $1 / 4$ |
| $1 / 8$ |

Player's Height
62" +
54" - 62"
48" - 54"
Under 48"

