## String Instrument Sizing

String instruments come in sizes to accommodate young to older players. The sizing is VERY important to your child's success. An instrument too large or small will develop poor habits and even pain in the arm, hands, fingers. Please use the reference chart below and instructions on how to measure your child to get the appropriate size instrument.

## VIOLIN

You will need to measure your child's left arm length. You will measure from where the neck meets the shoulder to the tip of the middle finger.

| Arm length (inches) | Violin Size |
| :--- | :--- |
| At least 22" | $1 / 4$ size violin |
| At least 23.5" | $1 / 2$ size violin |
| At least 25" | $3 / 4$ size violin |
| At least 27" | $4 / 4$ (full size) violin |

## VIOLA

You will need to measure your child's left arm length. You will measure from where the neck meets the shoulder to the tip of the middle finger.

| Arm Length (inches) | Viola Size |
| :--- | :--- |
| At least 22" | $11^{\prime \prime}$ viola |
| At least 23.5" | $12^{\prime \prime}$ viola |
| At least 25" | $13^{\prime \prime}$ viola |
| At least $27^{\prime \prime}$ | $14^{\prime \prime}$ viola (full size) |

## Cello

Cellos are sized by overall student height.

| Height Range (inches) | Cello Size |
| :--- | :--- |
| $51^{\prime \prime}-54^{\prime \prime}$ | $1 / 4$ size cello |
| $55^{\prime \prime}-58^{\prime \prime}$ | $1 / 2$ size cello |
| $59^{\prime \prime}-62^{\prime \prime}$ | $3 / 4$ size cello |
| $63^{\prime \prime}$ and up | $4 / 4$ full size cello |

