

CHECKLIST FOR INSTRUMENT RENTAL**

Please bring this sheet with you to the music store!

If taking your child with you to be measured is not permitted due to the Covid-19 protocols, then use the information available at this sight to determine the correct size instrument in advance.

<https://www.sharmusic.com/Pages/How-To/Measure-Your-Child/>

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE REQUIRED FOR PARTICIPATION IN STRING LESSONS:

Instrument:

violin, viola, or cello

Accessories:

- Violin & Viola ONLY – Shoulder Rest
- Cello ONLY – Xeros Endpin Anchor
- ALL INSTRUMENTS – Rosin

Music Stand with Carrying Bag

To be used for practice at home. Students will be asked to bring stands for lessons when we return to school.

Lesson Book:

Sound Innovations for String Orchestra, Book 1

Check the upper right-hand corner to make sure that you get the right book for your instrument.

**LABEL EVERYTHING WITH YOUR FULL NAME BEFORE
THE FIRST TIME THAT YOU BRING IT TO SCHOOL!**

Tip: Use a colorful ribbon or brightly colored duct tape to mark your case. That way, you can easily identify your instrument.

** **Buyer beware!** Cheaper, no-name instruments often cannot be or won't be repaired or serviced at local music stores. This will ultimately lead to more headaches for you and your child than the money that you "saved." Most instrument rentals include a repair agreement in which routine repairs are included in the rental fee.

REASONS TO RENT RATHER THAN TO PURCHASE A STRING INSTRUMENT FOR YOUR CHILD

If you rent an instrument from a music store:

- + As your child grows into a larger size instrument, you can simply exchange it for the new size at no cost.
- + Most music stores allow you to apply rental payments toward an eventual purchase.
- + If your child later discontinues playing, you are not “stuck” with an instrument that will go unused.
- + If something is wrong with a rented instrument, the store can easily repair or replace it.

If you buy an instrument from a source other than a music store:

- The quality of the instrument is often so poor that it needs professional repair work in order to be usable.
- Sometimes the instrument is so poorly made that repair is impossible. In such cases, exchanging the item for replacement does no good.

THESE ARE SOME LOCAL, REPUTABLE MUSIC STORES.

FEEL FREE TO RENT FROM ONE OF THEM OR FROM ANY OTHER DEALER WITH WHICH YOU ARE FAMILIAR

<p>JC Strings 4110 Quakerbridge Rd. Lawrenceville, NJ 08648 609-936-9038</p>	<p>Music & Arts Center Mercer Mall, 3375 Rte. 1, Ste. 150 Lawrence Twp., NJ 609-987-9595 www.musicarts.com</p>	<p>Princeton Violins 240 Nassau St. Princeton, NJ 08542 609-683-0005 www.princetonviolins.com</p>
<p>Russo Music Center 1989 Arena Dr. Hamilton Twp., NJ 609-888-0620 www.russomusic.com</p>	<p>The Music Box 100 Youngs Rd., Ste. 1 Hamilton Twp., NJ 609-587-4696 www.themusicboxnj.com</p>	