# What Size Instrument Should My Child Play?

### Youtube Video Link:

https://youtu.be/JAa4bf8XkRg



## **Quick Reference Chart:**

### Violin or Viola:

Measure the length from neck to wrist when the student's left arm is fully extended.

| Arm Length | Violin Size | Viola Size |
|------------|-------------|------------|
| Over 23"   | 4/4         | 14"        |
| 22"        | 3/4         | 13"        |
| 20"        | 1/2         | 12"        |
| 18 1/2"    | 1/4         | 11"        |
| 16 1/2"    | 1/8         | 11"        |
| 15"        | 1/10        | 11"        |

### Cello or Bass:

Cello and Bass selection can be determined by the student's height:

| Height    | Cello Size | Bass Size |
|-----------|------------|-----------|
| under 48" | 1/4        | 1/8       |
| 48" - 54" | 1/2        | 1/4       |
| 54" - 60" | 3/4        | 1/4       |
| over 60"  | 4/4        | 1/2       |