

Chatham Fiddle Company Violin Rentals for The Laurel School

Monthly Rental Fee \$20.00 plus tax

Includes Violin, Case, Bow and Rosin

Shoulder rests may be purchased for a one time fee of \$10.00

The rental fee includes insurance and free string replacement should it be required.

Billing to be via email and online payment is available.

Renters Name: _____

Student Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Violin Size: _____

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How to measure for the proper violin size.


Measure from the middle of the left palm to the neck, with left arm and hand fully extended out perpendicular to body (as if holding a violin).

Violins come in nine different sizes: 4/4, 3/4, 1/2, 1/4, 1/8, 1/10, 1/16, and 1/32. 4/4 (full size) being the biggest and 1/32 size being the smallest. Most all adults use a full size violin.

To measure what size violin best suits you, you need to know the length between your neck and the middle of your left-hand palm or left wrist. This is measured when your hand is fully extended and raised perpendicular to your body, just like holding a violin. Many teachers prefer students to use the length from the neck to the wrist for measurement instead of the neck to mid-palm approach. The violin size determined by the neck/wrist approach would be the size that is more comfortable for students to hold. The violin size determined by the neck/mid-palm approach would be the biggest size students should use. By using our chart, you will find the size which most probably will be the best for your child.

Sizing your Violin

It is important to select the correct instrument size so that playing is as easy and comfortable as possible. Use the chart below to measure the player and choose the right instrument with confidence.



Using a tape measure or yardstick, measure the distance between the middle of the left-hand palm and the player's neck. Ensure that hand is fully extended and the arm is perpendicular to the body.

For players in between sizes, select the smaller size.

GRADE	AGE	ARM LENGTH	SIZE	NOTES ON TRANSITIONAL SIZES
K	5-6	min. of 16"	*1/8	* If child is tall as an average 1st grader with arms longer than 18", choose 1/4 size.
1	6-7	min. of 18"	1/4	
2	7-8	min. of 18"	*1/4	* If child is tall as an average 3rd grader with arms longer than 20", choose 1/2 size.
3	8-9	min. of 20"	1/2	
4	9-10	min. of 20"	*1/2	* If child is tall as an average 5th grader with arms longer than 22", choose 3/4 size.
5	10-11	min. of 22"	3/4	
6	11-12	min. of 22"	*3/4	* If child is tall as an average 7th grader with arms longer than 23", choose 4/4.
7-Adult	12 +	min. of 23"+	4/4	