

Suzuki Violin Materials for Beginning Students

Please bring the following materials to the first lesson:

A **violin** in good condition, of a size appropriate for your child and equipped with fine tuners on all strings. The violin should have fresh strings. Most fine violin shops can help with sizing for your child, including the following:

- Potter's Violins, 4706 Highland Ave, Bethesda, MD, (301) 652-7070
- Dale Music Co., 20910 Georgia Ave, Silver Spring, MD, (301) 589-1459
- Gales' Violin Shop, 1013 Rhode Island Ave, College Park, MD, (301) 474-4300
- Lashof Violins, 6-C East Cedar Ave, Gaithersburg, MD, (301) 330-2606

Bow with real horsehair in good condition. For young children more likely to drop and break it, a synthetic bow might be appropriate (consult your teacher); otherwise, obtain a wooden bow.

Rosin (this should come with the violin) in a wooden trough is best.

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Suzuki materials may be purchased at your local music store, online at sharmusic.com or over the phone from Music City Strings at (800) 336-1980.

- Shinichi Suzuki's book, *Nurtured by Love* (1983)
- Suzuki Violin School, violin part, Volume 1 (1978)
- Suzuki Book I/CD I *Revised Edition*. Preferably, purchase a CD and then make copies to facilitate listening to the recording throughout the house and in the car.

One white or light-colored **posterboard** 24x 36 inches (may be comprised of two smaller posters).

Two blank **composition-style notebooks** and a **pen** for taking notes

Classical music **recordings** for "special listening" (consult your teacher for more details).