



Recommended Instruments List – Strings

Shawnee Mission Schools

The following list represents the quality brand instruments recommended by the Shawnee Mission instrumental teaching staff; accessories, both required and optional, are also itemized. Beginning string students are expected to provide their own instruments, however, a limited number are available for rent from the school district. Students interested in playing a school-owned instrument should consult their teacher regarding availability. The necessary text books are: String Basics Book 1 for 5th Grade, and String Basics Book 2 for 6th Grade.

Instrument	Brand	Required Accessories	Optional Accessories
Violin	Eastman Giuseppe Glaesel KC Strings Knilling Lewis Scherl & Roth	1. Wood, fiberglass, or carbonfiber bow w/real horsehair 2. Full-size box rosin 3. Low lip chin rest 4. Shoulder rest – <i>Kimber polypad (5th) Kun or Everest (6th)</i> 5. Fine tuners ,Wittner tailpiece. 6. Strings by D’Addario, Pirastro, or Thomastik Dominants. 7. Name tag for case 8. Folding wire music stand	1. Soft cloth (from household discards) 2. Pitch pipe (at teacher’s discretion) 3. Polishing cloth
Viola	Eastman Giuseppe Glaesel KC Strings Knilling Lewis Scherl & Roth	1. Wood, fiberglass, or carbonfiber bow w/real horsehair 2. Full-size box rosin 3. Low lip chin rest 4. Shoulder rest – <i>Kimber polypad (5th) Kun or Everest (6th)</i> 5. Fine tuners , Wittner tailpiece. 6. Strings by D’Addario, Pirastro, Thomastik Dominants. 7. Name tag for case 8. Folding wire music stand	1. Soft cloth (from household discards) 2. Pitch pipe (at teacher’s discretion) 3. Polishing cloth
Cello	Eastman Giuseppe Glaesel Hermann Beyer KC Strings Knilling Lewis Scherl & Roth	1. Wood, fiberglass, or carbonfiber bow w/real horsehair 2. Full-size box rosin 3. Fine tuners , Wittner tailpiece. 4. Strings by D’Addario, Pirastro, Larson, Spiracore, Thomastik Dominants 5. Rubber stop on end pin 6. Rockstop 7. Name tag for case 8. Folding wire music stand	1. Soft cloth (from household discards) 2. Pitch pipe (at teacher’s discretion) 3. Polishing cloth