Orchestra Information

Materials needed:

* Violin: *Bow, case, rosin*, extra pack of strings, shoulder rest, Essential Elements Book 1, cloth, 1“ 3-ring binder, D’Addario Planet Waves NS Micro Tuner
* Viola: *Bow, case, rosin*, extra pack of strings, shoulder rest, Essential Elements Book 1, cloth, 1” 3-ring binder, D’Addario Planet Waves NS Micro Tuner
* Cello: *Bow, case, rosin, rock stop*, extra pack of strings, Essential Elements Book 1, cloth, 1” 3-ring binder, D’Addario Planet Waves NS Micro Tuner

(Items that are italicized are usually included in your rental/purchase price of your instrument).

Instrument Store Information:

\*Some of the local locations for renting or buying an instrument include:

**NTUNE Odessa** - 1141 E. 42nd St. 432-550-2263

**NTUNE Midland -** 3205 W. Cuthbert Ave #C1, Midland. 432-522-1212

**\*\*Please do not purchase an instrument from an online source (such as Ebay) unless it is from the following websites:**

[Swstrings.com](file:////Users/jenmcnally/Downloads/•%2509D’Addario%20Planet%20Waves%20NS%20Micro%20Tuner), [Sharmusic.com](file:////Users/jenmcnally/Downloads/•%2509D’Addario%20Planet%20Waves%20NS%20Micro%20Tuner), and [musiciansfriend.com](file:////Users/jenmcnally/Downloads/•%2509D’Addario%20Planet%20Waves%20NS%20Micro%20Tuner)  (These websites can also be used to purchase accessories for your instrument, if needed).

Rental options are available at the local stores. Please do not rent or buy an instrument that is a “non-traditional” color (such as white, purple, blue, etc).

Maintenance on instruments:

* Instruments can not be left in extreme heat or cold weather. This will damage the quality of the instrument, and will cause your instrument and bow to warp.
* Maintenance on instruments must be kept up on a regular basis. (i.e. If something is broken, please take it to the shop immediately.)
* New strings need to be put on your instrument EVERY YEAR. Bows must be replaced or rehaired EVERY YEAR as well.

Requirements and Expectations for Orchestra class:

* Students must bring their instrument and supplies every day unless I request them not to.
* Points off their grade will be deducted every time a student does not bring their instrument to class.
* Students must practice at home a minimum of 30 minutes every day.
* Students will be required to participate in Orchestra for the entire year. If a student is not bringing their instrument to class on a daily basis or is a constant distraction to others, they will no longer be able to participate in Orchestra.

If you have any additional questions and wish to contact me, my email address is: [lpena@mycacs.org](mailto:lpena@mycacs.org)

I look forward to having Orchestra class with you next year!

Sincerely,

Laura Peña