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## **Instrument Care Quick Facts**

- > NEVER leave in a parked car or exposed to the elements.
- > ALWAYS remove shoulder rest prior to placing instrument in case.
- > ALWAYS loosen bow hair prior to placing bow in case.
- > NEVER lay instrument face down on its bridge.
- > ALWAYS clean rosin dust from instrument and bow after playing.
- Only clean instrument with soft, dry cloth. NEVER use furniture polish or other cleaners to clean your instrument. If instrument requires intense cleaning, you may bring into shop to be cleaned or to receive more specific cleaning instructions.
- NEVER over- tighten strings. DO NOT attempt to tune instrument or adjust pegs until you are instructed how to properly tune by your teacher.
- ALWAYS check bridge to ensure it is in its proper placement. An improperly placed bridge will warp and/or break. You may ask your teacher for assistance checking the bridge, or bring instrument into the shop.
- NEVER touch your bow hair.
- Rosin your bow prior to playing. A bow with no rosin on the hair will not produce any sounds. DO NOT over-rosin your bow. An over-rosined bow will not produce a good tone. Enough rosin is when your bow is not slipping while playing. There should not be a rosin cloud while playing.
- > ALWAYS zip your case closed if your instrument is inside its case.
- A stringed instrument is not a toy. DO NOT sword fight with bows or horse play around instruments.
- If your instrument is damaged, bring it to our shop IMMEDIATELY for repairs. Issues will only worsen with time if not tended to.