CARING FOR YOUR CELLO

TAKEING YOUR CELLO OUT OF ITS CASE:

1. Lay your cello case flat on the floor or a table with the label facing up.
2. Unzip the case and carefully remove your cello, holding it by the neck.
3. Holding your cello by the neck in the left hand, loosen and adjust the endpin until your cello is at the right height with the endpin firmly on the floor. Tighten the endpin screw.
4. With your cello upright, the endpin on the floor, and holding your cello by the neck in the left hand, use your right hand to take out your bow.
5. If needed, slightly tighten the screw of the bow to place a small amount of tension in the bow’s hair.
IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- Slightly loosen the screw of the bow when not in use.
- Cellos are very sensitive to temperature. Store your cello in a temperature-controlled environment, never your car.
- There are many moving parts on your cello that can be pulled out or unscrewed. Never pull out or unscrew any part of your cello. These are for your teachers or an instrument repair professional to handle.

WHAT NOT TO DO WITH YOUR CELLO:

- Touch the cello bridge or the hair of the bow.
- Hold your bow incorrectly. Always hold your bow by the stick.
- Place the cello on its front or back. Please only rest the cello on its side.
- Place your bow on the floor.
- Swing around your cello, case, or bow.
- Use your bow as a pointer, cane, walking stick, or to move objects.
- Leave your cello in the car or other place where it can be stolen.
- Place any object inside your cello.
- Attempt to tune your cello. Your teachers are professionals who can do it in a breeze!