Free String Course Set For Schools

If Johnny's got a hankering to play the violin, he's going to get his chance.

A PROGRAM of free instruction in orchestral stringed instruments will be offered in Anchorage elementary schools this year, according to Dr. Don M. Dafoe, Superintendent of Schools.

The program, which is geared to the abilities of fourth, fifth and sixth grade students, will be held during the school day at Chugach, Creekside Park, Fairview, Inlet View, North Star, Nunaka Valley, Rabbit Creek, Williwaw and Willow Crest schools.

After school hours, classes will be held at Lake Otis, Sand Lake, Turnagain and Woodland Park schools. Students from other schools may attend the after school classes.

IN ORDER FOR a student to be enrolled in the course, parents are asked to attend one of the following meetings: Sept. 18, 1 p.m., Williwaw School; Sept. 21, 10:30 a.m., Fairview School; Sept. 21, 7:30 p.m., Inlet View School; Sept. 22, 10:30 a.m., Nunaka Valley School; Sept. 24, 8 p.m., Rabbit Creek School; or Sept. 25, 2 p.m., Turnagain School.

Discussion points during the meetings will include the selection of a correct size instrument, practice requirements, incidental expenses and anticipated results. Frank W. Pinkerton, orchestra coordinator, is in charge of the district program.

Violin or viola students must furnish their own instruments. A limited number of schoolowned cellos and string basses will be available to beginners.

Stringed instrument classes are scheduled to begin in early October.