

NYSSMA SOLO FESTIVAL 2010

NYSSMA SOLO FESTIVAL 2010	DATES	APPLICATION DEADLINE	FESTIVAL SITE
Levels 1-6 Regular	March 22 & 23	January 29	Friends Academy Locust Valley
All State Auditions	April 23 & 24	February 10	Schreiber High School Port Washington
Jazz Instrumental Solo (non-all state)	April 23 & 24	February 10	Schreiber High School Port Washington
All State Jazz Auditions (instrumental & vocal)	May 7&8	March 5	East Meadow High School East Meadow
Piano Levels 1-6	May 11, 12, & 13	March 5	CW Post College Brookville

Participation in this Festival requires a significant commitment of time and resources for both students and parents.

- This Festival is an enrichment activity designed for highly motivated students.
- Your child's music teacher is a professional music educator trained as a NYSSMA adjudicator, and highly qualified to provide an accurate assessment of your child's readiness for NYSSMA. S/he will recommend students to audition as well as the most appropriate music piece to prepare.
- Preparation requires a substantial commitment of time for additional and consistent home practice.
- Families should consider private instruction to insure the best possible results.
- While students are not required to receive private instruction in order attend NYSSMA, North Shore teachers can provide only limited support in the group setting in which they teach, and are not able to provide one-on-one preparation.
- Participation requires a commitment of personal and financial resources:
 - Parents are responsible for procuring and supplying original sheet music as well as arranging and paying for accompanists for vocal performances. All required forms and fees must be paid by posted deadlines. No late applications or fees will be accepted. Once a check and application form are received, no fees can be returned.
 - Students must attend at scheduled time(s). We cannot guarantee special scheduling requests.

Our music teachers are proud of the many North Shore students who participate in the NYSSMA Solo Festival every year. But the decision to participate is an important one that must be made with an understanding of the commitment required. Be sure to include your child and his/her teacher in the decision about whether s/he has a strong interest and is ready to do the work to prepare.

Contact your child's music teacher(s) directly with any questions about the NYSSMA solo festival.