



NEW YORK STATE SCHOOLS MUSIC ASSOCIATION (NYSSMA)



WHAT IS NYSSMA?



Band Instruments

String Instruments

Guitar

Harp

Piano

Voice

MUSIC FESTIVAL



Every spring, NYSSMA hosts festivals throughout the state. Students (1st to 12th grade) have the chance to participate and perform a solo for an adjudicator. The adjudicator is usually a music educator or professional musician.

Interested performers prepare a selected piece from the NYSSMA manual and music scales. There is a brief sight reading passage that will be provided during the audition.

ENHANCE PERFORMANCE SKILL

NYSSMA provides a sense of motivation for musicians to excel as a performer, creates an environment of responsibility and promotes a level of discipline.

OTHER PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES

Based on the type of instrument, the NYSSMA evaluation result, teacher nomination and the NYSSMA level, there are honor performance ensembles such as Westchester County School Music Association (WCSMA) - All County Band, Chorus and Orchestra, Area All-State and All-State.



WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF NYSSMA?



WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS TO PARTICIPATE?



RYE NECK MUSIC PROGRAM

To participate in the NYSSMA music festival, you must be involved in at least one of our music programs at Rye Neck.

The following are exempt from this requirement: guitar, harp and piano.