



New Jersey Youth Symphony

JAZZ Audition Requirements

SCALES ALL INSTRUMENTS

All 12 Major Scales.

- Look at sheet for rhythm.
- Play two octaves when possible
- Judges will ask for three scales of their choosing.
- *Drummers not required to play scales*

AUDITION PIECE

Big Band Solo for your respective instrument (provided)

SIGHT READING

A short excerpt from the jazz idiom will be provided for all students to sight-read at the audition.

IMPROVISATION

Improvise on 2 choruses of a Bb blues with CD accompaniment.

Additional Rhythm Section Requirements:

Drums: Demonstrate each of the following feels for 16 bars include a fill to set up bars 8 and 16:
Medium Up Swing, Funk, Bossa Nova, Med Swing with brushes.

Piano/Vibes: Comp one chorus of B-flat Blues

Guitar: Comp one chorus of B-flat Blues, Freddie Green style.

Bass: Walk 2 Choruses on a B-flat Blues.