



## New Jersey Youth Symphony

### JAZZ Audition Requirements

#### SCALES ALL INSTRUMENTS

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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

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NJYS will provide a Big Band Solo for your respective instrument on April 1.

#### SIGHT READING

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

#### IMPROVISATION

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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.