Wind, String, and Percussion Results 2019

Dear Director,

Congratulations to you and your students for an excellent audition session. The Executive Committee appreciates your assistance at auditions. Attached to this email you will find the results packet of the Winds, Strings, and Percussion auditions and a letter to be distributed to all students accepted for the All South Jersey Organizations. Please check for your students in the results listing. Score sheets will be scanned and emailed to you early next week. Attention directors of seniors: Please be aware that any student wishing to apply for the SJBODA scholarship will need a recommendation letter from a teacher. Students will need these before many of you have returned from winter break. Please discuss this with your students and plan accordingly. The scholarship application can be found on the SJBODA web site and must be submitted online by Dec. 31st.

The first rehearsal will be Saturday, Dec. 21st at 9:00AM at Cinnaminson HS. Music will be distributed at that rehearsal. All students accepted into an organization must attend for the entire rehearsal time. Please remind your students of the rehearsal and performance dates for their ensembles and emphasize that attendance at all of every rehearsal is required of every member.

The only excused absences are family calamity or personal illness verified by a medical doctor's WRITTEN EXCUSE. ***All absences must be called in to the region phone (609-457-0590) prior to the start of the rehearsal to be missed.

ATTENDANCE NOTE: Absence from any part of the Saturday afternoon rehearsal on the performance weekends (Jan. 4 or Jan. 11) *for ANY reason* will prevent the student from participating in that weekend's concert.

<u>Students are to bring the following items to rehearsal:</u> Instruments, folding music stands, and pencils. Percussion instruments will be provided, but students must provide their own mallets and sticks.

Food will be available for purchase at the Cinnaminson rehearsal only. Food is not available at Rowan. Students should bring snacks or lunches to all rehearsals. Please remind your students that no one is permitted to leave the rehearsal site for lunch, even if they are 18 years old.

Concert tickets may be purchased at any of the Rowan rehearsals. Ticket prices are \$8.00 for adults and \$5.00 for students and senior citizens.

Candid pictures will be taken at the first rehearsal. Group pictures will be taken during the concert. Photos and recordings may be ordered on the day of the concert in the auditorium lobby.

The dress requirements for the concerts are:

Symphonic Band/Wind Ensemble: Boys-dark suit and dark tie, white shirt

Girls - all black

High School Orchestra: Boys-dark suit and bow tie, white shirt

Girls - all black

Junior High String Ensemble Boys-dark suit and tie, white shirt

Girls-white top and black bottom

There will be a string meeting on Friday, January 3, 2020 at 10:00 AM at Rowan University. The next General Membership meeting of the SJBODA will be held on Friday, January 10, 2020 at 10:00 AM at Rowan University.

If you have questions or concerns about auditions or results, please contact Phil Senseney at 609-513-3677 or email to: sjauditions@gmail.com.

Re-auditions:

Re-auditions for the following instruments will be held on Saturday, Dec. 21st at 9:15AM at Cinnaminson. Audition requirements are the same as the regular auditions and <u>registration</u> <u>must be completed on-line by Friday, Dec. 20th.</u> The registration form link is in the student audition information letter on the website. Students must also complete <u>the signature</u> form. If they completed a signature form for the December audition they do NOT need a new one, but they will need the \$10 audition fee. The form is accessed through the link at the end of the application, from the link in the student confirmation email, and is in your director audition packet letter (on the website). Students must have the completed form and the \$10 registration fee with them to audition. If the student was registered for Dec. 14th, we will have their signature form and a new one is not necessary. Students who re-audition and are accepted will be expected to attend the remainder of the rehearsal on the 21st. Again, direct any re-audition questions to Phil Senseney at: <u>siguuditions@gmail.com</u>.

Instruments to be re-auditioned:

MS Viola (9), MS Bass (8), HS Bass (4), HS Viola (1), English Horn (2), Alto Clarinet (2), Contra Clarinet (2), Bass Trombone (1), Harp (1), Piano (1), Timpani (1)

Please distribute the student information portion of this letter to each student who was accepted or who plans to attend re-auditions. This letter will also be posted on the region web site along with the audition results.

Thank you again for giving your time for the benefit of our students.

Ken Rafter, President, SJBODA Philip Senseney, Auditions Procedures Chair Deb Knisely, Senior High Auditions Chair



South Jersey Band and Orchestra Director Association

December 15th, 2019

Congratulations on being accepted into the South Jersey Band and Orchestra Directors Association Honors ensemble!

In an attempt to keep everybody informed regarding upcoming rehearsals, performances, or inclement weather, we have our social media pages on Facebook by searching "SJBODA (South Jersey Band and Orchestra Directors Association), on Twitter "@sjboda", and on Instagram "@sjboda_official." We also utilize Remind to send text updates to your phone. Remind, however, has a limit on the number of people who can join each group. Due to this obstacle, SJBODA has created multiple Remind accounts to service the needs of all students who have been accepted into the various ensembles.

Please sign up for the ensemble(s) that you have been accepted into only, and please limit your sign up to **one per household**. Please make sure that either one parent or the student are the only ones who sign up.

To sign up for our Remind service, please include the text below in your message field to the phone number "81010."

High School Wind Ensemble	@sjbodawe	WE = Wind Ensemble
High School Symphonic Band	@sjbodasb	SB = Symphonic Band
High School Orchestra	@sjbodaosr	OSR = Orchestra Sr. High
Junior High Strings	@sjbodasjr	SJR = Strings Jr. High
Chamber Ensembles	@sjbodach	CH = Chamber

Please note that if we reach capacity due to too many numbers per household signing up, not all students or households will be afforded the luxury of the text notifications.

Musically,

Ken Rafter SJBODA President