

## Wind, String, and Percussion Results 2025

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. In the High School assignments, O is for Orchestra, S is for Symphonic Band, and WE is for Wind Ensemble. All Junior High Strings are in String Ensemble. Violin seating is also noted.

***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 you return from winter break. Please discuss this with your students and plan accordingly. The scholarship application can be found on the SJBODA website and must be submitted online by Dec. 31st.*

The first rehearsal will be Saturday, Dec. 20, 2025 at Cinnaminson HS. Wind Ensemble will rehearse from 9AM-11:45AM and Orchestra, Symphonic Band, and String Ensemble will rehearse from 9AM until 3PM. Winds and percussion who are in Orchestra ONLY should report at 12:15PM. Music will be distributed at that rehearsal. Chamber Ensembles will have a short meeting at noon to pick up music. **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 or texted 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. 10 or Jan. 17) *for ANY reason* will prevent the student from participating in that weekend's concert.

Students are to bring the following items to rehearsal: Instruments, folding music stands, and pencils. Percussion instruments will be provided, but students must provide their own mallets and sticks. MUSIC STANDS are required as spacing will not allow for stand sharing.

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 \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for students.*

*The dress requirements for the concerts are:*

**Symphonic Band/Wind Ensemble and HS Orchestra:**

**Dark Suit, White Shirt, Tie or Long Black Dress; Dark Shoes**

**Junior High String Ensemble:**

**White top, black bottom, or Long Black Dress; Dark Shoes;**

**Tie is optional**

There will be a string meeting on Friday, January 9, 2026 at 10:00 AM at Rowan University. The next General Membership meeting of the SJBODA will be held on Friday, January 16, 2026 at 10:00 AM at Rowan University.

If you have questions or concerns about auditions or results, please text Phil Senseney at 609-513-3677 or email to: [sjuditions@gmail.com](mailto:sjuditions@gmail.com).

**Re-auditions:**

Re-auditions for the following instruments will be held on Saturday, Dec. 20 at 9:15AM at Cinnaminson. Audition requirements are the same as the regular auditions and **registration must be completed on-line by Friday, Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>**. The registration form link is in the student audition information letter on the website. Students must also complete **the signature** 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. 13, 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 Dec. 20. Again, direct any re-audition questions to Phil Senseney at: [sjuditions@gmail.com](mailto:sjuditions@gmail.com).

Instruments to be re-auditioned:

**For Orchestra weekend:** MS Viola (4), MS Cello (4), MS bass (5), English Horn (1), Bassoon (3)

**For Band weekend:** Eng Horn (2), Bassoon (5), Eb Clarinet (2), Alto Clarinet (3), Contra Clarinet (1), F Horn (1), Bass Trombone (2)

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.

John Drechen, President, SJBODA

Philip Senseney, Auditions Procedures Chair

Jeff Moore, HS Auditions Chair

## Student Information Letter - December 13, 2025

Dear South Jersey Band/Orchestra/Chamber Ensemble Member,

Congratulations on your successful audition. The 2026 All South Jersey Ensembles should prove to be of exceptional quality. We hope that you will have a very enjoyable and rewarding experience. Please read this letter carefully as it includes much pertinent information concerning your participation in the ensembles.

You should plan to bring your instrument, a music stand, and pencil to all rehearsals. Food will be available for purchase at the Cinnaminson rehearsal. Food is **not** available at Rowan. You will be responsible for bringing a lunch or snack. Music will be distributed at the Dec. 20<sup>st</sup> rehearsal at Cinnaminson HS. Following the concert, your music will be collected, at which time you will receive your award medal. You must turn in your music to receive your medal.

Concert tickets will be available for purchase at the Rowan weekend rehearsals. Prices are as follows:

Adults - \$10.00    Students - \$5.00

*The dress requirements for the concerts are:*

**Symphonic Band/Wind Ensemble and HS Orchestra:**

**Dark Suit, White Shirt, Tie or Long Black Dress; Dark Shoes**

**Junior High String Ensemble:**

**White top, black bottom, or Long Black Dress; Dark Shoes;**

**Tie is optional**

**Please note that students are not permitted to leave the rehearsal sites for any reason until the rehearsal is completed. This includes any student 18 years of age or older. Members are required to attend all rehearsals on time and remain until the end of the rehearsal. The only acceptable excuses for absence are family calamity or illness verified by a doctor's note. If you have to miss you must call the region phone (609-457-0590) prior to the start of the rehearsal.**

In the event of inclement weather, the schedule may be altered. Any changes will be available at 609-457-0590 or on the web site ([www.sjboda.org](http://www.sjboda.org)). If the weather is questionable, check before you leave for the rehearsal. We will also email you and your directors at the email address provided at registration. Please encourage your students to register for the band app using the enclosed QR links for up-to-date announcements. This also allows us to reach them should we have to change a schedule due to weather conditions.

Please remember that our guest conductors expect a lot from you. You should arrive at the January rehearsals ready to play by the announced starting times. Please prepare your music prior to the rehearsals and come eager to learn and improve.

We will look forward to seeing you on Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> at Cinnaminson and, again, congratulations on a successful audition.

## Rehearsal and Performance Schedules

Students must attend all rehearsals. The String ensemble, Orchestras, Symphonic Bands and Wind Ensemble rehearsal on December 20<sup>is</sup> at Cinnaminson HS. All January rehearsals and concerts are in Wilson Hall at Rowan University and the Chamber ensemble location is Pitman High School. Directions to each of these schools will be on the SJBODA website.

### Senior High Orchestra/Junior High String Ensemble Dates

Saturday, December 20, 2025	Rehearsal	Cinnaminson HS	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Friday, January 9, 2026	Rehearsal	Rowan University	9:30 AM - 4:30 PM
Saturday, January 10, 2026	Rehearsal	Rowan University	9:30 AM - 4:30 PM
Sunday, January 11, 2026	Concert	Rowan University	2 PM and 3:30 PM

### Symphonic Bands/Wind Ensemble

Saturday, December 20, 2025	Rehearsal	Cinnaminson HS	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Wind Ensemble is dismissed at 11:45			
Chamber Ensembles have a short meeting at 12:00			
Friday, January 16, 2026	Rehearsal	Rowan University	9:30 AM - 4:30 PM
Saturday, January 17, 2026	Rehearsal	Rowan University	9:30 AM - 4:30 PM
Sunday, January 18, 2026	Concert	Rowan University	2 PM and 3:30 PM

### Chamber Ensembles

Saturday, December 20, 2025	Meeting	Cinnaminson HS	Noon - 12:30PM
Wednesday, January 21, 2026	Rehearsal	Pitman HS	6:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Wednesday, January 28, 2026	Rehearsal	Pitman HS	6:00 PM - 8:30 PM <u>Snow Date</u>
Tuesday, February 3, 2026	Rehearsal	Pitman HS	6:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Wednesday, February 4, 2026	Concert	Pitman HS	6:30 rep./7:00 concert
Thursday, February 5, 2026	Concert	Snow Date - same times as February 4 <sup>th</sup> concert	