

# NYSSMA Checklist

Before you leave for NYSSMA, please make sure you have the following items:

- ✓ Playing Permit that was given to you by your teacher
- ✓ Original Copy of your piece
  - You **cannot** use photocopies at NYSSMA, only original purchased pieces are acceptable.
  - If I gave you your NYSSMA piece, I will have a second copy for the judge.
- ✓ Instrument, of course!

Other Recommendations & Information:

- NYSSMA is a performance, so you should dress accordingly. Avoid sweatshirts, jeans and sneakers, as you want to appear as professional as possible. Dresses and suits are not necessary, but business-casual attire is recommended. If you do not know what to wear, you can always wear concert dress of black and white.
- Be early! You need time to warm up before your performance. (It is recommended that you arrive 30 minutes before your performance time.)
- Greet the judge when you enter the room. A simple “hello” is just fine. Be sure to thank the judge as you leave, too.
- Be proud of your performance. You chose to put in extra time, practice and effort to prepare your solo. Bravo!

**Reminder: The NYSSMA Solo & Ensemble Festival will be held at Sachem East High School**