

New String Ensemble students must audition. Returning students do not need to audition.

- New students will audition on **September 9, 2008, 5:00-9:00 pm** on the Ocean County College campus in the Arts and Community building.

Please call the Garden State Philharmonic at **732.255.0460** to arrange an audition time.

Please prepare the following for the audition:

**Scales 30 points**

Scales (one or two octaves) will be graded on the basis of intonation and consistency.

- C Major (no sharps or flats)
- G Major (1 sharp)
- D Major (2 sharps)
- F Major (1 flat)
- B-flat Major (2 flats)

**String Excerpts 30 points**

These are short musical passages taken from pieces that we will be performing sometime during the year. There are separate excerpts for first and second violin. If you would like to try out for the first violin section, practice the appropriate parts. These excerpts are available from the Garden State Philharmonic Office at 732.255.0460 or at:

<http://www.gardenstatephilharmonic.com/08-08-07.htm#Audition%20Guidelines>.

**Solo 40 points**

Please prepare a short solo or excerpt of your choice that shows your ability. You will have 90 seconds to play a piece of your choice. This is your chance to "show off." You can play any part of any piece, but remember that you have only 90 seconds, so play something that demonstrates your technique, range and musicality. Solos will be graded on the basis of intonation, rhythm, and interpretation.

*We hope you all had a good summer. For our returning members, we're looking forward to seeing you again and for our new members, we're looking forward to meeting you and hearing you play.*

**FIRST REHEARSAL: 9/15/09**  
**Toms River Intermediate NORTH**