



Q: *How do I get to Stephen and Harriet Myers Middle School?*

A: Take 787 South
Take I-787 S to US-9W N/McCarty Ave in Albany
Continue on US-9W N. Take Whitehall Rd to Elbel Ct
100 Elbel Ct, Albany, NY 12209

Q: *When should I arrive?*

A: I usually tell the students to arrive at least 30 minutes before the scheduled times. This will give the student enough time to set-up, warm-up, and calm down.

Q: *What do I do once I get there?*

A: Parents and students will need to register at the registration table as soon as you walk in. After receiving the necessary paperwork, you will go to the rehearsal room where you warm up. Walk to your assigned room roughly 5 minutes before your assigned performance time. **MAKE SURE YOU HAVE THE ORIGINAL COPIES OF MUSIC!!!**

Q: *What should my child wear?*

A: Students should dress nicely as this is a judged event. Concert attire would be perfect for NYSSMA.

Q: *How long is it?*

A: Students are in the “audition” for roughly 15 minutes. You have to wait until Monday for your scores/comments. If you would like to know your score over the weekend, please text me at 320-0161 and I will call you on Saturday night or Sunday with the results.

Q: *Can I watch my child perform?*

A: You can listen from the hallway, but parents don’t normally go in the room with the student. However, there have been judges that allow an audience of the teacher and/or parent if the student is extremely nervous.

Q: *Is my son/daughter ready?*

A: Listen to your child’s solo. He/She is ready if he/she can make it from start to finish without stopping. They also need to have three scales memorized. **2 days left** – they should be practicing at least 30 minutes, five days per week on the music.

QUESTIONS? – MR. ROWLANDS 320-0161