

4. **Repertoire:** Pop music is not allowed for Solo or Duet and Ensemble events.  
Arrangements are not allowed at the Solo Performance Intermediate or Advanced Level but are allowed at the Solo Elementary Level and all levels of Duet and Ensemble events.  
Students may perform an optional technique demonstration of their choice during the Solo Performance Event.
5. **Bowing and Warm-up:** Bowing is required for all performance events. The procedure is:  
Warm-up, Bow, Perform optional technique, Perform selection(s), Bow
6. **Honors Recital Eligibility:** Students who receive 5 stars (excluding the star for memory) on their Solo Event or Duet and Ensemble Event are invited to perform on the Honors Recital. Teachers will be informed if their student is eligible. The teacher must inform the student.
7. **Awards:** Students receive stars for the ratings they receive in every event they enter. The stars go towards prizes such as ribbons, medals and trophies. Stars are cumulative over the years and teachers are required to keep track of how many stars a student has. When a certain level is reached, the teacher should request the awards for the students. It is expected that the student will take several years to reach the top accumulation of 100 stars. For more details, see below under Scholarships and Awards
- 15 stars = ribbon
  - 25 = medal
  - 50 = small trophy
  - 75 = medium trophy
  - 100 = large trophy

## **Specific Rules and Procedures for All Star Events**

**Solo Performance:** Students perform appropriate repertoire (see above) for an adjudicator and receive a rating of 1-5 stars and comments. More than one selection is allowed if time permits. Students may also include a technical demonstration such as a scale. See "Rules and Procedures" above for more information on repertoire, ratings etc.

**Duet and Ensemble Performance:** Students perform duets or chamber music for an adjudicator and receive a rating of 1-5 stars and comments. Both performers must be students. More than one selection is allowed if time permits. Chamber music may include other instruments or vocal selections. Only one entry fee is required per event.

**Theory/History Exam:** Student may take an exam at any level regardless of grade or performance ability. The exams are based on the NEWPTF Syllabus and are on five levels available on the web site. A rating of 1-3 stars is awarded depending on percentage. Students with perfect scores will be recognized at the Honors Recital.

- 3 stars: perfect test
- 2 stars: 90 -99%
- 1 star: 10-89%