

PEI Kiwanis Music Festival
National Festival Ensemble Classes

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Choral Classes

General Regulations for all NF Choral Classes

- * A choir may enter only one choral class between NF9102 and NF9113
- * Choirs entering classes NF9102 - NF9113 may also enter Class NF9101 Glee(Show / Musical Theatre)
- * Other non-National Festival classes from the main syllabus listings may be entered as well as NF classes.
- * 2 contrasting selections per class must be performed.
- * The definition of the term 'selection' for choral classes is "one piece of music by a composer and not two or more short pieces from a collection, cycle or larger work".
- * The inclusion of compositions by Canadian and Indigenous composers is encouraged.
- * All classes are open to equal and/or mixed voices.
- * Ages are determined as of December 31 preceding the festival.

Summary of Choral Classes:

Class Name	Class Number
Glee Choir	9101-NF
School Choir - Grade 12 & under	9102-NF
School Choir - Grade 9 & under	9103-NF
School Choir - Grade 6 & under	9104-NF
Community Choir, Ages 19 & over	9110-NF
Community Choir, Ages 19 & under	9111-NF
Community Choir, Ages 16 & under	9112-NF
Community Choir, Ages 12 & under	9113-NF

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Glee / Stage / Musical Theatre Ensembles

(Please also read the General Regulations for all choral classes on page 1 of this section)

Class name:	Glee Choir
Class number:	9101-NF

Age:	Open (any combination of ages)
Type of choir:	School or Community
Number of singers:	Minimum of 6 (any combination of voices)
Staging:	Must contain staging and / or choreography
Local Festival requirements:	2 contrasting selections
	ONE selection may include a brief solo, or solo ensemble, passage, which should be no longer than 20% of the the total number of bars in the song.
	Maximum time limit = 20 minutes
	<i>Other non-National Festival classes may also be entered.</i>

Provincial Festival Requirements:

If your Local Festival adjudicator selects you to progress to the Provincial finals you will be required to perform the following:

Provincial Festival:	2 contrasting selections (recommended by the Local Festival adjudicator)
	Maximum time limit = 20 minutes

National Festival Requirements:

If the Provincial Festival adjudicator selects you to progress to the National Festival you will be required to perform the following:

(See the National Festival Syllabus at www.fcmf.org for more information and regulations)

National Festival:	2 contrasting selections (recommended by the Provincial Festival adjudicator)
	Entry by video recording, to be submitted by 30 June.
	Entrants will receive comments from the National Festival adjudicator and conductors will take part in an online Conductor Roundtable.
	Maximum time limit = 20 minutes

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School Choirs

Additional regulations for School Choirs

(Please also read the General Regulations for all choral classes on page 1 of this section)

- * A minimum of 8 singers
- * Only one folk song is permitted
- * The members of a school choir must all be from the same school

Class name:	School Choir - Grade 12 & under	School Choir - Grade 9 & under	School Choir - Grade 6 & under
Class number:	9102-NF	9103-NF	9104-NF
Age:	Grade 12 & under	Grade 9 & under	Grade 6 & under
Local Festival Requirements:	2 contrasting selections.		
	At least one selection MUST be sung in three or more parts	At least one selection MUST be sung in two or more parts	One selection sung in two parts is strongly encouraged.
	ONE selection may include a brief solo, or solo ensemble, passage, which should be no longer than 10% of the the total number of bars in the song.		
	<i>Glee or non-National Festival classes may also be entered.</i>		

Provincial Festival Requirements:

If your Local Festival adjudicator selects you to progress to the Provincial finals you will be required to perform the following:

Provincial Festival:	2 contrasting selections (as performed at the Local Festival)
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National Festival Requirements:

If the Provincial Festival adjudicator selects you to progress to the National Festival you will be required to perform the following:

(See the National Festival Syllabus at www.fcmf.org for more information and regulations)

National Festival:	2 contrasting selections (as performed at the Provincial Festival)
	Entry by audio recording, to be submitted by 30 June 2025.
	Entrants will receive comments from the National Festival adjudicator and conductors will take part in an online Conductor Roundtable.

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Community Choirs

Additional regulations for Community Choirs:

(Please also read the General Regulations for all choral classes on page 1 of this section)

* A minimum of 8 singers

* Only one folk song is permitted

Class number:	Community Choir, Ages 19 & over	Community Choir, Ages 19 & under	Community Choir, Ages 16 & under	Community Choir, Ages 12 & under
Class name:	9110-NF	9111-NF	9112-NF	9113-NF
Age:	The majority of members must be 19 years of age and over	Ages 19 & under. No more than 5% of the members may exceed the age limit by more than one year	Ages 16 & under. No more than 5% of the members may exceed the age limit by more than one year.	Ages 12 & under. No more than 5% of the members may exceed the age limit by more than one year.
Local Festival Requirements:	2 contrasting selections.			
	ONE selection may include a brief solo, or solo ensemble, passage, which should be no longer than 10% of the the total number of bars in the song.			
	At least one selection must be sung in three or more parts	At least one selection must be sung in three or more parts	At least one selection must be sung in three or more parts	At least one selection must be sung in two or more parts
<i>Glee or non-National Festival classes may also be entered.</i>				

Provincial Festival Requirements:

If your Local Festival adjudicator selects you to progress to the Provincial finals you will be required to perform the following:

Provincial Festival:	2 contrasting selections (chosen by the Local Festival adjudicator)
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National Festival Requirements:

If the Provincial Festival adjudicator selects you to progress to the National Festival you will be required to perform the following:

(See the National Festival Syllabus at www.fcmf.org for more information and regulations)

National Festival:	2 contrasting selections (chosen by the Provincial Festival adjudicator)
	Entry by audio recording, to be submitted by 30 June.
	Entrants will receive comments from the National Festival adjudicator and conductors will take part in an online Conductor Roundtable.

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Instrumental Ensemble Classes

General Regulations for all Instrumental Ensemble Classes

- * The term 'selection' for large ensemble classes is *"a single movement composition OR one or more movements of a multi-movement composition"*.
- * A group of pieces by the same composer or from an existing collection by a composer is acceptable as a multi-movement work.
- * Multi-movements of one piece will be counted as one selection.
- * For all classes, except jazz band classes NF9302 and NF9304, only ONE of the selections may include brief solo or solo ensemble passages. The total number of bars of the solo or solo ensemble passage[s] must not exceed 10% of the total length of the selection.
- * For jazz band classes, it is strongly encouraged that jazz ensembles include a minimum of one improvised solo in at least one of the two required selections. The 10% total length of solo passages does not apply to jazz band classes NF9302 and NF9304.
- * The inclusion of compositions by Canadian and Indigenous composers is encouraged.
- * Adjudicator copies of scores MUST contain clear measure numbering
- * Individual performers may also enter solo classes (NF or non-NF)

Summary of Ensemble Classes:

Class Name	Class Number
Advanced Ensemble	9201-NF
Senior Ensemble	9202-NF
Junior Ensemble	9203-NF
School Concert Band	9301-NF
School Jazz Band	9302-NF
Community Concert Band	9303-NF
Community Jazz Band	9304-NF
School Full Orchestra	9401-NF
School String Orchestra	9402-NF
Community Full Orchestra	9403-NF
Community String Orchestra	9404-NF

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Chamber Ensembles

Additional regulations for Chamber Ensembles:

(Please also read the General Regulations for all Instrumental Ensembles on page 5 of this section)

- * A combination of any recognized orchestral instruments including harp, guitar, recorder, and/or percussion with or without piano and/or one voice.
- * Each performer must have their own part, with no conductor.
- * The majority of members in a chamber group must reside or study in PEI.
- * The majority of members in a chamber group must be in the listed age bracket for the class.
- * When a piano is included, the piano part must be original and not an orchestral reduction.
- * Instrumentation and amplification may be used only as indicated in the original score.

Class name:	Advanced Ensemble	Senior Ensemble	Junior Ensemble
Class number:	9201-NF	9202-NF	9203-NF
Age:	Aged 30 & under	Aged 18 & under	Grade 14 & under
Number of performers:	Minimum = 3 Maximum = 9	Minimum = 3 Maximum = 9	Minimum = 3 Maximum = 9
Local Festival:	2 contrasting selections.		
	Maximum performance time: 30 minutes	Maximum performance time: 20 minutes	Maximum performance time: 15 minutes
	ONE selection may include a brief solo, or solo ensemble, passage, which should be no longer than 10% of the the total number of bars.		
	<i>Performers may also enter other ensemble and / or solo classes.</i>		

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Provincial Festival:	2 contrasting selections (chosen by the local festival adjudicator)
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National Festival Requirements:

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(See the National Festival Syllabus at www.fcmf.org for more information and regulations)

National Festival:	2 contrasting selections (chosen by the provincial festival adjudicator)
	Entry by audio recording, to be submitted by 30 June.
	Entrants will receive comments from the adjudicator and an online adjudication workshop

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Bands

Additional regulation for Bands:

(Please also read the General Regulations for all Instrumental Ensembles on page 5 of this section)

* The members of a school group must all be from the same school, up to and including Grade 12 students.

Class name:	School Concert Band	School Jazz Band	Community Concert Band	Community Jazz Band
Class number:	9301-NF	9302-NF	9303-NF	9304-NF
Age:	Up to and including Grade 12 students	Up to and including Grade 12 students	Open	Open
Local Festival:	2 contrasting selections.			
	ONE selection may include a brief solo, or solo ensemble, passage, which should be no longer than 10% of the the total number of bars.	It is strongly encouraged that jazz ensembles include a minimum of one improvised solo in at least one of the two required selections. (The 10% total length of solo passages does not apply here)	ONE selection may include a brief solo, or solo ensemble, passage, which should be no longer than 10% of the the total number of bars.	It is strongly encouraged that jazz ensembles include a minimum of one improvised solo in at least one of the two required selections. (The 10% total length of solo passages does not apply here)
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Orchestras

Additional regulation for Orchestras:

(Please also read the General Regulations for all Instrumental Ensembles on page 5 of this section)

* The members of a school group must all be from the same school, up to and including Grade 12 students.

Class name:	School Full Orchestra	School String Orchestra	Community Full Orchestra	Community String Orchestra
Class number:	9401-NF	9402-NF	9403-NF	9404-NF
Age:	Up to and including Grade 12 students	Up to and including Grade 12 students	Open	Open
Instrumentation	Must include strings, winds, and percussion	Strings only	Must include strings, winds, and percussion	Strings only
Local Festival:	2 contrasting selections.			
	ONE selection may include a brief solo, or solo ensemble, passage, which should be no longer than 10% of the the total number of bars.			
	<i>Performers may also enter other ensemble and / or solo classes.</i>			

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