

ANNOUNCEMENT



NYSSMA® Official Announcement



TO: ALL NYSSMA® Members (and especially collegiate membership)
FROM: NYSSMA® President Ed Chiarello
RE: NYSSMA® “Academy” (online beginning this September) Announcement
DATE: May/June 2024

In response to an ongoing dialogue with collegiate membership, NYSSMA® President Ed Chiarello announces an online NYSSMA® “Academy” that, while geared for collegiate members of NYSSMA®, will be of interest to NYSSMA® membership as well. NYSSMA® Neurodiversity and Accessibility Chairperson Brian Wagner Yeung will serve as the facilitator for the online Academy series.

Please look for expanded information about the NYSSMA® Academy sessions in the September 2024 *School Music NEWS*, as well as on the NYSSMA® home page. Here is some initial information to help you to plan your online attendance:

The five sessions will take place on four Saturdays in September and ending on Saturday, October 5. Here is a brief overview of the session titles and dates:

Session #1: *The Neurodiverse Music Classroom for All*

Date: Saturday, September 7, 2024

Session #2: *Music for All: Engaging All Learners in the Music Classroom*

Date: Saturday, September 14, 2024

Session #3: *Making Connections for All*

Date: Saturday, September 21, 2024

Session #4: *The Accessible Classroom Environment for All*

Date: Saturday, September 28, 2024

Session #5: NYSSMA® Academy Series Wrap Up

Date: Saturday, October 5, 2024

- Sessions will take place from noon-1:30 p.m. for collegiate students and ALL NYSSMA® members are welcome to attend.
- The sessions are free and attendees will simply click a Zoom link to join.
- The sessions would be beneficial for all collegiates (they’ve asked for them); however, these sessions are especially beneficial for student teachers and new teachers.
- Brian Wagner Yeung, NYSSMA® Neurodiversity and Accessibility Chair, is facilitating all the sessions with a possible panel of NYSSMA® presenters for the final session in October.
- Look for more information concerning the NYSSMA® Academy here in the *School Music NEWS* and on the NYSSMA® home page.