Festival Generated Awards:

- 1) <u>Superior Certificates:</u>
 - This certificate is awarded by the National Federation of Music Clubs to every student who receives a Superior rating in any event.
 - These certificates may be picked up by the teacher at any Festival site, or at the Gold Cup concert.
- 2) <u>Gold Cup Plan:</u> The Gold Cup Plan is described in detail in the Festival Bulletin. The following is a summary:
 - This is an incentive program sponsored by the National Federation of Music Clubs in which students are awarded a Gold Cup upon the accumulation of 15 points and multiples thereof in an individual event.
 - Superior = 5 points Excellent = 4 points Satisfactory = 3 points Fair = 2 points Needs Improvement = 1 point
 - Please note: points from different events do not combine (with the exception of Junior III and Senior concerto points for high school students.)
 - The "Piano Solo" event and the "Lynn Freeman Olson Piano Solo" event are interchangeable.
 - See the National Festivals Bulletin for complete details.
 - **Gold Cup/ NJ Trophy form:** Use this form only if your students are eligible for an award. Please print names clearly.
 - Please keep accurate records to expedite Gold Cup orders.
 - The Gold Cup size increases with the point totals.
 - In the 9th grade and above, Junior III and Senior Piano Concerto points can be combined with Piano Solo points for faster progress. The solo level MUST be Difficult I or above. See the National Festivals Bulletin for complete details.
- 3) <u>NJ Trophy:</u> This trophy is a special award for the purpose of encouraging students to play multiple events.

There are two different ways to earn the NJ trophy.

- 1. The NJ Trophy may be earned in one year by playing in three separate events (i.e. piano solo, concerto, duet).
- 2. The NJ Trophy can be earned in a two year period by playing in two events for two consecutive years.

GOLD CUP CONCERT:

The Gold Cup concert is open to students receiving their 2nd Gold Cup or higher. Location will be listed in the NJFMC calendar.

Please plan to attend and encourage your students to attend as well. It is a wonderful opportunity to hear our young musicians.

1) Gold Cup Concert Participants:

- If your student earned their second Gold Cup or higher, they are eligible to perform at this concert. **Email the Festival Chairman by April 15** if your student wishes to participate.
- Students perform by memory with the exception of ensembles, which may use music.
- Important: please check on the availability of a second piano before planning to play a concerto.
- **PLEASE NOTE**: South Jersey has a separate Gold Cup concert, and students with first Gold Cups or higher can participate. Please contact the S. Jersey area chairman, for details.
- 2) Check with your center head to arrange to pick up your Gold Cup/NJ Trophy order.