When I run the JUnit tests and they do not pass, sometimes there is a blue x and sometimes there is a red x. What's the difference?

A blue x means the test failed whereas a red x means there was an error while trying to run the test.

Do reverse(), toString(), and cutAndSplice(enzyme, splicee) need to work with a LinkStrand with more than one node?

reverse, toString – yes
cutAndSplice – no

I'm almost positive that my cutAndSplice works but the tester says it fails! What don't I understand!? 

The tests will fail even if you implement the methods correctly if you haven’t done toString() correctly. This is because the tests use toString() to check if the results of the other methods are correct.
Don’t assume this is the case though if the tests are failing – there may be an issue with the methods that you haven’t noticed!