

Evaluate the achievement of the musical ensemble. All parts of the ensemble, (Winds/Percussion) contribute to the success of the performance. Recognize the complexity of what is being performed and acknowledge how well it is performed.

Achievement of Musicianship

- Shaping
- Inflection
- Phrasing and musical nuance
- Expression
- Idiomatic interpretation
- Depth of the musical challenge
- Consideration of the totality of the environment
- Musical understanding

100

Sound /Tuning /Technique

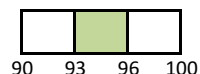
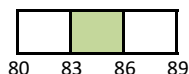
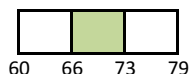
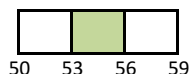
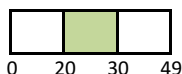
- Consistency of timbre and sonority
- Tuning of winds and percussion
- Breath support and embouchure
- Balance of winds and percussion
- Balance of winds to percussion
- Cohesiveness with respect to tempo
- Demonstration of articulation
- Ensemble Blend
- Quality of intonation

100

Judge: _____

Total Points

Signature: _____



Musicianship: The Ensemble

Never
(Poor)
0-49

Rarely
(Fair)
50-59

Sometimes
(Good)
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Frequently
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Consistently
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- Demonstrate **musical shaping** and **inflection** and **musical nuance**
- Demonstrates quality **phrasing** in winds and percussion
- Presents **quality accentuation** in winds and percussion
- Presents **uniform accentuation** in winds and percussion
- Demonstrates **uniform dynamics** in winds and percussion
- Presents **appropriate style** for any chosen idiom
- Musicinship is not limited or affected by **enviromental challenges**
- Demonstrates a **range** of musical demands with quality and control
- Demonstrates **musical understanding** of the program

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- Demonstrates the quality and consistency of **ensemble sonority**
- Demonstrates consistency of **timbre**
- Demonstrates focused **phrasing** and **centered pitch**
- Presents **characteristic tone** in winds and percussion
- Presents **proper tuning** within/between winds/percussion
- Displays **control of tone** in winds/percussion and together
- Presents **proper balance** within/between sections
- Demonstrates control of **precision and tempo**
- Presents **rhythmic interpretation** within/among sections
- Works with **environmental challenges**

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Effectiveness of the Repertoire

- Coordination
- Pacing
- Concept
- Continuity
- Interpretation of the music
- Tension/Release
- Impact and Climaxes
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- Creativity and Originality

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Effectiveness of the Performers

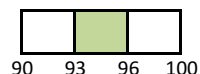
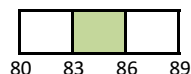
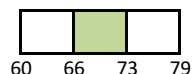
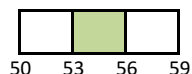
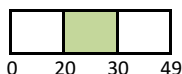
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- Nuances
- Expressive effect
- Excellence as effect
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- Displays effective **coordination among the musical elements**
- Display effective **coordination between the musical and visual components**
- Displays the **concept** clearly
- Creates effective **complement to the idiomatic style**
- Shows **creativity** and **originality** in the use of the components
- Offers consistent **pacing** through which the audience is engaged
- Displays effective presentation of **climaxes** and **impacts**
- Offers **aesthetic** and **intellectual** considerations resulting in entertainment
- Creates an opportunity for an **emotional response**
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- Offer a variety of **roles** and **identities**
- Maintain **shaping** and **contouring** of the program
- Display an **emotional intensity**
- Deliver a high level of **excellence** to contribute to the effect
- Offer an **understanding** of their **responsibilities**
- **Engage** the audience
- Deliver the **nuances** and **detail**
- Understand their role in projecting musical understanding of the program

Evaluate the skill of the writing team through the composing process. Evaluate the overall skill of the performers through their ACHIEVEMENT, which measures their ability to perform the responsibilities not only of the visual but also to perform the visual in combination with their musical responsibilities.

Composing Process

- Logical Development
- Quality use of the elements of design
- Clarity of emphasis
- Variety in design
- Use of stage, color and props in design
- Musical structure, phrasing, nuances
- Visual musicality

100

Achievement of Excellence and Technique

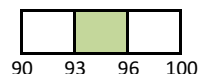
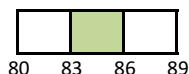
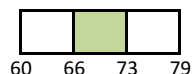
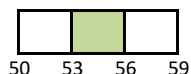
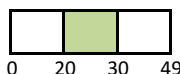
- Demonstration of ensemble training
- Technique for ensemble cohesiveness
- Clarity of form, body and equipment
- Precision through the ensemble
- Variety of responsibilities
- Challenge of responsibilities
- Response to the challenges of the music

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- Displays an **integrated** and **unified** development
- Displays **quality of composition** in body and/or form and/or equipment
- Complements the **phrasing and the musical structure**
- Displays quality **elements of design**
- Demonstrates **creativity** or **originality** and/or **variety**
- Offers **detail and nuance** through expression and design
- Displays **emphasis** and/or **totality**
- Offers appropriate **challenge** to the performers
- Displays the auxiliary in a **complimentary** and **integrated** manner

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- Display overall achievement in **form** and/or **body** and/or **equipment**
- Offer a variety of **challenges**
- Display a **compatibility between their challenges and achievement**
- Deliver an achievement of **expressive opportunities**
- Offer an understanding that they are **well trained**
- Display **precision** as part of their achievement
- Show a **range of achievement of skills** in the auxiliary
- Achieve **recovery**

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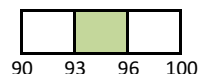
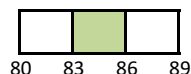
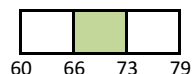
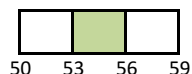
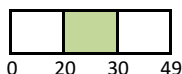
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- Displays the **concept** clearly
- Creates effective **interpretation** through **body** and/or **form** and/or **equipment**
- Shows **creativity** and **originality** in the use of the components
- Offers consistent **pacing** through which the audience is engaged
- Displays effective **staging**
- Offers **aesthetic** and **intellectual** considerations resulting in entertainment
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- Deliver **detail** and **nuance**
- Understand their role in projecting an **understanding** of the program.

Credit the orchestration and content of the program with respect to the various combination and isolations of form, body, and equipment. Reward the excellence with which the program is achieved through an equal consideration of the content, or vocabulary, and the performance.

Program Content: Overall Vocabulary

- Use of Form, Body, and Equipment
- Use of Expressive Components of Space, Time, Weight, and Flow
- Variety
- Visual Musicality
- Staging
- Integration
- Totality and Unity
- Use within the Overall Design Process
- Clarity of Emphasis
- Musical Structure, Phrasing, and Nuances

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Achievement Through Form, Body, and Equipment

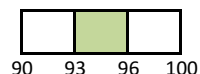
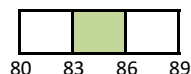
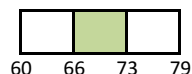
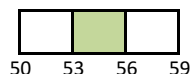
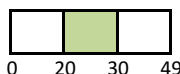
- Demonstration of Training
- Compatibility
- Clarity of Form, Body, and Equipment
- Precision
- Variety of Responsibilities
- Clarity of Style and Technique
- Considerations of the Overall Environment
- General Expressive and Technical Skills

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Total Points

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Content: The Color Guard

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- Displays **visual musicality** through the form, body, and equipment
- Was **integrated** into the form in a complementary manner
- Was an **integral part** of the overall design process
- Displays **variety** and **depth** in form, body, and equipment
- Develops a **layering** among form, body, and equipment
- Displays a **range** and **quality** of expression in space, time, weight, and flow
- Shows **detail** and **nuance** in the overall content
- Displays **unity/totality**
- Provides a display of **challenges** to the performers
- Displays **creativity/invention**
- Has **quality staging**

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- Displays consistent **compatibility** between the performers and their responsibilities
- Shows a consistent **achievement** of all responsibilities and the ability to recover
- Displays **expressive opportunities** through form, body, and equipment
- Demonstrates **articulation** and **precision** with respect to time and position
- Demonstrates **training** effortlessly in dealing with form, body, and equipment
- Offers success in dealing with **roles** and **overall identity**
- Demonstrates an **understanding** of responsibilities
- Demonstrates an overall achievement of **technique(s)/styles**

The basis for analyzing an ensemble's performance is the demonstration of percussion excellence displayed by the members of the ensemble, both collectively and individually. The ensemble's level of performance achievement (excellence) should be based upon the musical, rhythmic, and physical demands placed on performers.

Composition

- Orchestration
- Elements of Design (Melody, Harmony, Rhythm, Dynamics)
- Range of Content
- Variety
- Continuity
- Clarity of Intent
- Simultaneous Responsibility

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Performance Quality

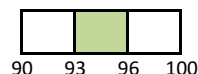
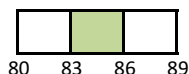
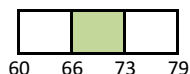
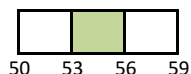
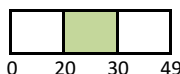
- Sound Production
- Musicianship
- Rhythmic Clarity
- Uniformity
- Ensemble Cohesiveness

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Composition: Marching Percussion Ensemble

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- **Orchestration:** The thoughtful and thorough planning used to convey musical ideas.
- **Elements of Design:** The use of melody, harmony, rhythm, and dynamics within the program.
- **Range of Content:** The scope of the musical and technical repertoire and vocabulary utilized in the program.
- **Variety:** The diversity of instrumentation, color, texture, timbre, intensity, and tempo utilized in the program.
- **Continuity:** The successful combination of all elements used to present a unified flow and form of musical ideas.
- **Clarity of intent:** The presentation of compositional elements in a clear and concise manner.
- **Simultaneous Responsibility:** The layering of responsibilities placed upon the performers.

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- **Sound Production:** The ability of the performers to clearly present the composition through balance, blend, and quality of sound.
- **Musicianship:** The ability of the performers to convey compositional intent and expressive qualities.
- **Rhythmic Clarity:** The ability of the performers to accurately present rhythmic content.
- **Uniformity:** The consistent presentation of technique, phrasing, and quality of sound from player to player.
- **Ensemble Cohesiveness:** The ability of the ensemble to establish and maintain pulse control and rhythmic stability, both vertically and horizontally.