NDHSAA OFFICIAL MUSIC ADJUDICATION FORM INSTRUMENTAL SOLO - CLASS A

Judge: Room:

Time Name: School: Selection Composer	Event		RATING: Adjudicator, check one rating only! STATE STAR = State Superior Performance REGIONAL STAR = Superior Performance I = Excellent Performance II = Good Performance III = Fair Performance	
Approv	ved June 2017		Signature of Adjudicator	
	4	3	2	1
TONE	Open, focused, full resonant tone	Characteristic tone most of the time	Tone color and quality is inconsistent between sections	Basic tonal concepts not present - Consistently thin, unfocused, forced
	Consistent tone quality in all ranges and registers	Tone quality is affected by range and volume changes	Tone often fuzzy or pinched	sound
	Artistic use of vibrato (if applicable)	Vibrato developing nicely	Inconsistent focus and tone quality in various ranges and volume levels	Changing volume and registers creates tone quality problems
INTONATION	All ranges and registers in tune Excellent control and listening skills Pitch adjustments made instantly	Demonstrates minimal intonation difficulties Listening skills developing Pitch adjustments usually made quickly	Mostly accurate, but includes some uncorrected pitches Listening skills are inconsistent Pitch adjustments inconsistent	Significant intonation difficulties throughout selection
RHYTHM	Excellent precision at all times Nearly all note values and rhythms are performed accurately	Errors infrequent & corrected quickly Most note values & rhythms correct Some problems in technical passages	Inconsistent performance of note values and rhythmic patterns	Numerous inaccurate note values and rhythmic passages
ITERPRETATION, MUSICIANSHIP	Stylistically accurate, musical and sensitive performance Expression is natural and highly effective Excellent use of dynamics Phrasing is musical and expressive	Some passages lack musical effect Style and tempo appropriate most of the time Very good use of dynamics Most phrasing is natural and uniform	Style becomes rigid and mechanical at times Style and tempo are not accurate Dynamics are inconsistent Lacks musical phrasing	Mechanical and lacking musicality Style underdeveloped Style and tempos are not maintained Little attention to dynamics & phrasing
TECHNIQUE	Technical facility is excellent Articulations are accurate Flexibility and dexterity exhibited at all times	Weaknesses shown in some technical sections Very good understanding of articulations Flexibility and dexterity are quite good	Technical facility lacks consistency causing errors Articulations are inconsistent Complex passages lack clarity	Complex passages are not accurate Articulations correct only some of the time Flexibility and dexterity lacking
OTHER FACTORS	Outstanding literature for age and training Professional approach Appropriate attire	Above average literature for age and training Inconsistencies in attire and/or formal approach	Average literature for age and training Inappropriate attire and/or approach lacks polish and professionalism Common etiquette often overlooked	Below average or unacceptable literature Soloist does not demonstrate appropriate approach to formal performance setting

Adjudicator score not properly prepared

Score provided with numbered measures for the adjudicator