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NDHSAA OFFICIAL MUSIC ADJUDICATION STAGE BAND, JAZZ-ROCK (Not Eligible for State)

Time Name: School: Selection Composer	Event		RATING: Adjudicator, check one rating only!STAR = Superior PerformanceI = Excellent PerformanceII = Good PerformanceIII = Fair Performance	
Approved June 2017		Signature of Adjudicator		
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TONE	Excellent sonority Open, rich, focused, full resonant tone on all parts Consistent color and quality in all ranges and registers	Characteristic tone most of the time on all parts Most sections perform with appropriate jazz tone	Inconsistent development of individual jazz tones Inconsistent tone quality in various ranges and volume levels	Basic ensemble sound not developed/pleasant Little evidence of concept of appropriate jazz tone
INTONATION	Excellent listening skills evident Overall intonation is excellent Adjustments made instantly within melodic and harmonic contexts	Listening skills well-developed Minor problems in certain ranges and/or volumes, or in difficult passages Problems usually corrected quickly	Listening skills developing, but inconsistent Frequent intonation problems Few problems corrected	Listening skills undeveloped Individual / ensemble problems go uncorrected
RHYTHM	Nearly all rhythms / note values performed correctly within jazz style Tempos are accurate to printed score	Occasional rhythmic errors Most errors are quickly corrected Tempos vary from printed score, especially in difficult passages	Rhythmic is inconsistent or misinterpreted in jazz context Errors are often repeated and few are corrected Tempos inconsistent	Poor rhythmic interpretation detract from performance Tempos inconsistent or misinterpreted
BALANCE/BLEND	Excellent melodic and harmonic balance All sections / players demonstrate excellent blend to ensemble sonority Rhythm section compliments winds	Good balance and blend most of the time Balance and blend problems occur in difficult passages Rhythm section/winds balance inconsistent	Frequent balance and blend problems occur, inner parts often inaudible Musical lines often unclear Frequent rhythm section/winds balance problems	Significant balance problems between and within sections, detract from overall performance Balance problems make ensemble sound unpleasant
TECHNIQUE	Polished performance Jazz articulations are accurately performed Excellent control in all ranges/registers	Strong performance with lapses of uniformity in difficult sections Very good jazz articulations Flexibility and control of ranges are generally good	Technique is inconsistent; performance lacks polish Articulation not consistent with characteristic jazz style Flexibility and control of ranges is lacking	Performance shows lack of understanding of appropriate jazz articulations Technical demand of music too much for group
INTERPRETATION	Very musical, sensitive, artistic performance Excellent style in all sections Excellent phrasing and use of dynamics and nuance Excellent solos	Musical performance most of the time Style appropriate Good phrasing and dynamics, but lacks nuance Solos well-developed	Lacks appropriate jazz feel much of the time Use of some dynamics and phrasing, but not always musical Solo ideas developing, but not consistent	Style inconsistent or not obvious Little attention to phrasing and dynamics Little evidence of jazz solo concepts
OTHER FACTORS	Outstanding literature for age and training Professional approach	Above average literature for age and training Inconsistencies in attire and/or formal	Average literature for age and training Inappropriate attire and/or formal approach	Below average or unacceptable literature Ensemble does not demonstrate appropriate approach to jazz performance

approach

Placement of players enhances performance

Placement of players creates ensemble

problems

Performance hindered by inappropriate placement of performers

Ensemble is appropriately attired

Placement of players enhances performance