



**2021-2022 All State Auditions
Adjudication Rubric by Ensemble**

All Mock Audition Scores will be compiled and provided to the student's music educator.

**All State Audition Scores will be sent to the student's music educator upon request,
after the ensembles have been seated.**

The score used for ensemble acceptance and placement will be the average score of the two judges.

Individual requests by students or caregivers for scores will not be accepted.

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JUNIOR AND SENIOR BAND (BRASS & WOODWINDS ONLY)

- Each audition will be adjudicated by two MMEA certified judges.
- There will be no scales or sight-reading requirements for these auditions.
- The score used for ensemble acceptance and placement will be the average score of the two judges.
- Each adjudication is worth a total of 150 possible points.

Updated 9/29/21: The two etudes will be judged separately for 150 possible points per adjudication.

Tone Quality	Scored 0-15
Intonation	Scored 0-15
Technique and Articulation	Scored 0-15
Tempo and Rhythm	Scored 0-15
Musicality, Style, and Interpretation	Scored 0-15

JUNIOR AND SENIOR BAND (PERCUSSION ONLY)

- Each audition will be adjudicated by two MMEA certified judges.
- The score used for ensemble acceptance and placement will be the average score of the two judges.
- Each adjudication is worth a total of 245 possible points.

Etudes – Each of the three etudes will be scored separately with 75 possible points per etude

Technique	Scored 0-15
Correct Rhythm/Notes	Scored 0-15
Rhythmic Precision/Tempo	Scored 0-15
Style/Interpretation	Scored 0-15
Overall Musicality	Scored 0-15

The two Snare Drum Rudiments will be scored separately for 10 possible points per requirement.

Concert Roll (closed/buzz)	Scored 0-10
Rudiments (Single Stroke Roll, Flam Accent, Flamacue)	Scored 0-10

SENIOR JAZZ BAND (BRASS AND WOODWINDS ONLY)

- Each audition will be adjudicated by two MMEA certified judges.
- There will be no sight-reading requirement for these auditions.
- Improv is optional but those who choose not to include improv in their audition will score fewer points.
- The score used for ensemble acceptance and placement will be the average score of the two judges.
- Each adjudication is worth a total of 95 possible points.

The scales are scored for 25 possible points per adjudication.

Scale #1	Scored 0-5
Scale #2	Scored 0-5
Scale #3	Scored 0-5
Scale #4	Scored 0-5
Scale #5	Scored 0-5

The excerpts will be scored together for 55 possible points per adjudication.

Tone	Scored 0-10
Notes	Scored 0-10
Intonation	Scored 0-10
Rhythm	Scored 0-10
Tempo	Scored 0-5
Musicianship	Scored 0-5
Articulation	Scored 0-5

Improvisation will be scored for 15 possible points per adjudication.

Tonality	Scored 0-5
Rhythm	Scored 0-5
Musicianship	Scored 0-5

SENIOR JAZZ BAND (GUITAR/BASS/PIANO/VIBES ONLY)

- Each audition will be adjudicated by two MMEA certified judges.
- There will be no sight-reading requirement for these auditions.
- Improv is optional but those who choose not to include improv in their audition will score fewer points.
- The score used for ensemble acceptance and placement will be the average score of the two judges.
- Each adjudication is worth a total of 135 possible points.

The scales are scored for 25 possible points per adjudication.

Scale #1	Scored 0-5
Scale #2	Scored 0-5
Scale #3	Scored 0-5
Scale #4	Scored 0-5
Scale #5	Scored 0-5

The groove/comp is scored for 40 possible points per adjudication.

Medium Swing	Scored 0-8
Fast Swing	Scored 0-8
Bossa Nova	Scored 0-8
Samba	Scored 0-8
Funk	Scored 0-8

The excerpts will be scored together for 55 possible points per adjudication.

Tone	Scored 0-10
Notes	Scored 0-10
Intonation	Scored 0-10
Rhythm	Scored 0-10
Tempo	Scored 0-5
Musicianship	Scored 0-5
Articulation	Scored 0-5

Improvisation will be scored for 15 possible points per adjudication.

Tonality	Scored 0-5
Rhythm	Scored 0-5
Musicianship	Scored 0-5

SENIOR JAZZ BAND (DRUMS ONLY)

- Each audition will be adjudicated by two MMEA certified judges.
- There will be no sight-reading requirement for these auditions.
- Improv is optional but those who choose not to include improv in their audition will score fewer points.
- The score used for ensemble acceptance and placement will be the average score of the two judges.
- Each adjudication is worth a total of 95 possible points.

The groove/comp scored for 40 possible points per adjudication.

Medium Swing	Scored 0-8
Fast Swing	Scored 0-8
Bossa Nova	Scored 0-8
Samba	Scored 0-8
Funk	Scored 0-8

The excerpts will be scored together for 55 possible points per adjudication.

Tone	Scored 0-10
Notes	Scored 0-10
Intonation	Scored 0-10
Rhythm	Scored 0-10
Tempo	Scored 0-5
Musicianship	Scored 0-5
Articulation	Scored 0-5

JUNIOR AND SENIOR CHORUS

- Each audition will be adjudicated by two MMEA certified judges.
- Both the Accompanied and A Cappella audition pieces will be scored separately.
- There will be no sight-reading requirement for these auditions.
- The score used for ensemble acceptance and placement will be the average score of the two judges.
- Each adjudication is worth a total of 100 possible points.

20 possible points per audition piece, 40 total possible points per adjudication

Correct Pitches	Must be sung in the correct octave	10 = No Mistakes; subtracting one point for each pitch mistake
Rhythm	Correct rhythms, tempo, precision	10 = No Mistakes; subtracting one point for each pitch mistake

20 possible points per audition piece, 40 total possible points per adjudication

Intonation	5 = superior; 4 = excellent; 3 = good; 2 = fair; 1 = poor; 0 = no valid attempt
Expression	5 = superior; 4 = excellent; 3 = good; 2 = fair; 1 = poor; 0 = no valid attempt
Phrasing, musical line, breath management	5 = superior; 4 = excellent; 3 = good; 2 = fair; 1 = poor; 0 = no valid attempt
Diction	5 = superior; 4 = excellent; 3 = good; 2 = fair; 1 = poor; 0 = no valid attempt

10 possible points per audition piece, 20 total possible points per adjudication

Tone Quality	10 = <i>Immediately</i> recognizable All State quality, sound is freely produced, clear, well-supported, resonant, age-appropriate; To 0 = no valid attempt
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JUNIOR AND SENIOR ORCHESTRA (STRINGS ONLY)

- Each audition will be adjudicated by two MMEA certified judges.
- There will be no sight-reading or scales requirements for these auditions.
- The score used for ensemble acceptance and placement will be the average score of the two judges.
- Each adjudication is worth a total of 90 points.

Each excerpt and the etude are scored separately for 90 possible points per adjudication.

Tone Quality	5 = Professional quality/flawless; 4 = Extremely refined/nearly perfect/room for slight improvement; 3 = Accurate/high quality/very good with few obvious errors; 2 = Refined but with obvious errors; 1 = Some ability shows/lacking in accuracy, maturity, and/or consistency; 0 = Does not meet standard/not performed
Intonation/Pitch	5 = Professional quality/flawless; 4 = Extremely refined/nearly perfect/room for slight improvement; 3 = Accurate/high quality/very good with few obvious errors; 2 = Refined but with obvious errors; 1 = Some ability shows/lacking in accuracy, maturity, and/or consistency; 0 = Does not meet standard/not performed
Bowing/Articulation	5 = Professional quality/flawless; 4 = Extremely refined/nearly perfect/room for slight improvement; 3 = Accurate/high quality/very good with few obvious errors; 2 = Refined but with obvious errors; 1 = Some ability shows/lacking in accuracy, maturity, and/or consistency; 0 = Does not meet standard/not performed
Rhythm/Tempo	5 = Professional quality/flawless; 4 = Extremely refined/nearly perfect/room for slight improvement; 3 = Accurate/high quality/very good with few obvious errors; 2 = Refined but with obvious errors; 1 = Some ability shows/lacking in accuracy, maturity, and/or consistency; 0 = Does not meet standard/not performed
Technique	5 = Professional quality/flawless; 4 = Extremely refined/nearly perfect/room for slight improvement; 3 = Accurate/high quality/very good with few obvious errors; 2 = Refined but with obvious errors; 1 = Some ability shows/lacking in accuracy, maturity, and/or consistency; 0 = Does not meet standard/not performed
Interpretation	5 = Professional quality/flawless; 4 = Extremely refined/nearly perfect/room for slight improvement; 3 = Accurate/high quality/very good with few obvious errors; 2 = Refined but with obvious errors; 1 = Some ability shows/lacking in accuracy, maturity, and/or consistency; 0 = Does not meet standard/not performed

SENIOR ORCHESTRA (HARP ONLY)

- Each audition will be adjudicated by two MMEA certified judges.
- There will be no sight-reading or scales requirements for these auditions.
- The score used for ensemble acceptance and placement will be the average score of the two judges.
- Each adjudication is worth a total of 60 possible points.

Each excerpt is scored separately for 60 possible points per adjudication.

Note Accuracy	5 = Professional quality/flawless; 4 = Extremely refined/nearly perfect/room for slight improvement; 3 = Accurate/high quality/very good with few obvious errors; 2 = Refined but with obvious errors; 1 = Some ability shows/lacking in accuracy, maturity, and/or consistency; 0 = Does not meet standard/not performed
Cleanliness/Sustain	5 = Professional quality/flawless; 4 = Extremely refined/nearly perfect/room for slight improvement; 3 = Accurate/high quality/very good with few obvious errors; 2 = Refined but with obvious errors; 1 = Some ability shows/lacking in accuracy, maturity, and/or consistency; 0 = Does not meet standard/not performed
Articulation	5 = Professional quality/flawless; 4 = Extremely refined/nearly perfect/room for slight improvement; 3 = Accurate/high quality/very good with few obvious errors; 2 = Refined but with obvious errors; 1 = Some ability shows/lacking in accuracy, maturity, and/or consistency; 0 = Does not meet standard/not performed
Rhythm/Tempo	5 = Professional quality/flawless; 4 = Extremely refined/nearly perfect/room for slight improvement; 3 = Accurate/high quality/very good with few obvious errors; 2 = Refined but with obvious errors; 1 = Some ability shows/lacking in accuracy, maturity, and/or consistency; 0 = Does not meet standard/not performed
Technique	5 = Professional quality/flawless; 4 = Extremely refined/nearly perfect/room for slight improvement; 3 = Accurate/high quality/very good with few obvious errors; 2 = Refined but with obvious errors; 1 = Some ability shows/lacking in accuracy, maturity, and/or consistency; 0 = Does not meet standard/not performed
Interpretation	5 = Professional quality/flawless; 4 = Extremely refined/nearly perfect/room for slight improvement; 3 = Accurate/high quality/very good with few obvious errors; 2 = Refined but with obvious errors; 1 = Some ability shows/lacking in accuracy, maturity, and/or consistency; 0 = Does not meet standard/not performed

SENIOR ORCHESTRA (PIANO ONLY)

- Each audition will be adjudicated by two MMEA certified judges.
- There will be no sight-reading or scales requirements for these auditions.
- The score used for ensemble acceptance and placement will be the average score of the two judges.
- Each adjudication is worth a total of 90 possible points.

Each etude and excerpt are scored separately for 90 possible points per adjudication.

Note Accuracy	5 = Professional quality/flawless; 4 = Extremely refined/nearly perfect/room for slight improvement; 3 = Accurate/high quality/very good with few obvious errors; 2 = Refined but with obvious errors; 1 = Some ability shows/lacking in accuracy, maturity, and/or consistency; 0 = Does not meet standard/not performed
Cleanliness/Sustain	5 = Professional quality/flawless; 4 = Extremely refined/nearly perfect/room for slight improvement; 3 = Accurate/high quality/very good with few obvious errors; 2 = Refined but with obvious errors; 1 = Some ability shows/lacking in accuracy, maturity, and/or consistency; 0 = Does not meet standard/not performed
Articulation	5 = Professional quality/flawless; 4 = Extremely refined/nearly perfect/room for slight improvement; 3 = Accurate/high quality/very good with few obvious errors; 2 = Refined but with obvious errors; 1 = Some ability shows/lacking in accuracy, maturity, and/or consistency; 0 = Does not meet standard/not performed
Rhythm/Tempo	5 = Professional quality/flawless; 4 = Extremely refined/nearly perfect/room for slight improvement; 3 = Accurate/high quality/very good with few obvious errors; 2 = Refined but with obvious errors; 1 = Some ability shows/lacking in accuracy, maturity, and/or consistency; 0 = Does not meet standard/not performed
Technique	5 = Professional quality/flawless; 4 = Extremely refined/nearly perfect/room for slight improvement; 3 = Accurate/high quality/very good with few obvious errors; 2 = Refined but with obvious errors; 1 = Some ability shows/lacking in accuracy, maturity, and/or consistency; 0 = Does not meet standard/not performed
Interpretation	5 = Professional quality/flawless; 4 = Extremely refined/nearly perfect/room for slight improvement; 3 = Accurate/high quality/very good with few obvious errors; 2 = Refined but with obvious errors; 1 = Some ability shows/lacking in accuracy, maturity, and/or consistency; 0 = Does not meet standard/not performed