Band Concert Evaluation Updated July 2016

Tone (for the classification entered)						
Superior (Division I)	Excellent (Division II)	Average (Division III)	Below Average (Div.IV)	Poor (Division V)		
Students consistently perform with mature, characteristic sounds. Pitches are consistently centered and focused. Students consistently perform balance/blend with only minor lapses that are quickly corrected. The ensemble consistently demonstrates an awareness of tuning within and between sections. ("near perfect") Dynamic contrast is consistently obvious and effective. Students consistently perform with proper support and little or no distortion.	Students mostly perform with mature, characteristic sounds. Pitches are mostly centered and focused. Students mostly perform balance/blend but there are obvious flaws that do not recover quickly. The ensemble mostly demonstrates an awareness of tuning within and between sections but there are numerous minor flaws. Dynamic contrast is mostly obvious and effective. Students mostly perform with proper support and little or no distortion.	Students sometimes perform with mature, characteristic sounds. Pitches are sometimes centered and focused. Students sometimes perform balance/blend but lapses consistently occur. The ensemble sometimes demonstrates an awareness of tuning within and between sections but problems consistently occur. Dynamic contrast is sometimes obvious and effective. Students sometimes perform with proper support and little or no distortion.	Students rarely perform with mature, characteristic sounds. Pitches are rarely centered and focused. Students rarely perform balance/blend within the ensemble The ensemble rarely demonstrates an awareness of tuning within and between sections. There are an extreme amount of flaws. Dynamic contrast is rarely obvious and effective. Students rarely perform with proper support and little or no distortion.	Students never perform with mature, characteristic sounds. Pitches are never centered and focused. Students never perform balance/blend within the ensemble. The ensemble never demonstrates an awareness of tuning within and between sections. Dynamic contrast is never obvious and effective. Students never perform with proper support and little or no distortion.		

Technique (for the classi	fication entered)			
Students consistently demonstrate manual dexterity and flexibility with only minor flaws in precision and clarity that recover quickly. Rhythmic approach is consistently uniform throughout the ensemble. Articulation is appropriate all of the time and is consistent throughout the performance.	Students mostly demonstrate manual dexterity and flexibility but there are often lapses in precision and clarity that do not recover quickly. Rhythmic approach is mostly uniform throughout the ensemble. Articulation is appropriate most of the time, but there are occasions when inconsistencies detract from the overall performance.	Students sometimes demonstrate manual dexterity and flexibility but there is a consistent loss of precision and clarity that do not recover quickly. Rhythmic approach is sometimes uniform throughout the ensemble. Articulation is used inappropriately at times.	 Students <u>rarely</u> demonstrate manual dexterity and flexibility but there is an overall loss of precision and clarity. Rhythmic approach is <u>rarely</u> uniform throughout the ensemble. Articulation is inappropriate most of the time. 	 Precision and clarity is never present. Rhythmic approach is never uniform throughout the ensemble. There is an inappropriate approach to total articulation.

Musicianship (for the classification entered)							
 Students consistently use proper musical style on all selections. Students are very sensitive to musical phrasing, shaping phrases and giving direction to musical lines. Students consistently achieve dynamic variation and musical nuance. Performers consistently convey an artistic, energetic, and emotional understanding of the music to the audience with the appropriate tempo. 	Students mostly use proper musical style with only minor inconsistencies. Students are sensitive to musical line and phrasing, but there are minor flaws that detract from the performance. Students are mostly consistent in achieving dynamic variation musical nuance. Performers mostly convey an artistic, energetic, and emotional understanding of the music to the audience with the appropriate tempo.	Students sometimes use proper musical style but there are noticeable inconsistencies. Students give little attention to musical phrases and shaping. Students are sometimes consistent in achieving dynamic variation and musical nuance. Performers sometimes convey an artistic, energetic, and emotional understanding of the music to the audience with the appropriate tempo.	Students rarely address musical style. Students fail to shape musical phrases. Students are rarely consistent in achieving dynamic variation and musical nuance. Students rarely convey an artistic, energetic, and emotional understanding of the music to the audience with the appropriate tempo.	Students never address musical style. No attention appears to have been given to proper shaping of musical line and phrasing. Students never achieve dynamic variation and use musical nuance. Students never convey an artistic, energetic, and emotional understanding of the music to the audience with the appropriate tempo.			