

Section 1446: MUSIC MEMORY

(a) THE CONTEST.

- (1) *Summary.* The focus of this contest is an in-depth study of fine pieces of music taken from a wide spectrum of genres to expose students to great composers, their lives and their music. In the course of preparing for the contest, students should be given the opportunity to describe and analyze the music, relate the music to history, to society and to culture, and to evaluate musical performance. The UIL will publish each year the official UIL Music Memory List and provide sources for obtaining recordings of the music and information on the pieces and composers.
- (2) *Contest Format.* Students in grade 2 will listen to and identify short excerpts of 10 musical selections. Additional optional components may be available for district consideration. There is no tiebreaker section for the grade 2 contest. Students in grades 3 and 4 will

complete a matching section and will listen to and identify short excerpts of up to 20 musical selections. Students in grades 5, 6, 7 and 8 will listen to and identify short excerpts of up to 20 musical selections. Specific test formats for grades 5, 6, 7 and 8 may differ by grade level and may include tiebreaker sections or optional components for district consideration. The current *A+ Handbook* includes complete rules and instructions.

(b) REPRESENTATION.

- (1) *Contestants.* Students in officially prescribed grade levels below 9th grade who are eligible under Sections 1400 and 1405 may enter this contest
- (2) *Divisions.* Districts shall offer either a separate division for each participating grade level or combined grade level divisions as specified in official contest procedures.
- (3) *Individuals.* Each participant school may enter as many as five contestants in each division in the district meet.
- (4) *Team Competition.* If the district has elected to include team competition, the combined scores of all contestants in each division from a school, divided by the number of contestants from that school, shall constitute the school's team score. A team shall have at least three contestants compete to participate in team competition.

(c) CONTEST ADMINISTRATION.

- (1) *Personnel.* All personnel in this contest may be coaches of participating students.
- (2) *Ties and Points.* Ties shall be broken, when applicable, by applying the tiebreaker rules for that grade level. If a tie remains after the tiebreaker has been scored, the tie will stand. If there is a tie for first place, there is no second place. If there is a tie for second place, there is no third place, etc. Points are awarded as specified in Section 1408 (i). Tied individuals or teams split the total points equally for the two or more places in which a tie exists.
- (3) *Certificates.* Students having a 100% correct paper on the district test selections are eligible for a Certificate of Achievement. The four tie-breaking questions are not to be considered in determining 100% papers.
- (4) *Verification Period.* A verification period shall be provided. Unofficial results should be posted. Contestants and coaches should be given no more than 15 minutes to examine their test papers with official keys. Questions

should be directed to the contest director, whose decision shall be final.

- (5) *Official Results.* After the verification period has ended and all test papers have been collected, the contest director shall announce the official results. Official results, once announced, are final.
- (6) *Returning Materials.* No materials from district contests may be returned to contestants prior to official release dates.