



PERFORMING FINE ARTS ASSESSMENT

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Course Title: Orchestra 1

Course Number: 1302360

Abbreviated Title: ORCH 1

Number of Credits: 1

Course Length: Year

Course Level: 2

Graduation Requirements: PF

Course Description: Students who have little or no orchestral experience study and perform high-quality beginning orchestra literature of diverse times and styles. Rehearsals focus on the development of critical listening skills, rudimentary string techniques, music literacy, ensemble skills, and aesthetic awareness. Public performances may serve as a culmination of specific instructional goals. Students may be required to attend and/or participate in rehearsals and performances outside the school day to support, extend, and assess learning in the classroom. Students in this class may need to obtain (e.g., borrow, rent, purchase) an instrument from an outside source.

SECTION A – RESPONDING ITEMS 30% of EXAM - 40 minutes

BIG IDEA %	WEIGHT Essential/Important/NtK	Item Mode	BENCHMARK	Item Types			Points
				SR (1 pt)	SA (2 pts)	ER (4 pts)	
C = 9%	I	R	MU.912.C.2.2 Evaluate performance quality in recorded and/or live performances.	0-6	0-3	0	6
	E	R	MU.912.C.3.1 Make critical evaluations, based on exemplary models, of the quality and effectiveness of performances and apply the criteria to personal development in music.				
H= 4%	I	R	MU.912.H.1.2 Compare the work of, and influences on, two or more exemplary composers in the performance medium studied in class.	1-3	0-1	0	3
O= 9%	I	R	MU.912.O.1.1 Evaluate the organizational principles and conventions in musical works and discuss their effect on structure.	0-6	0-3	0	6
	I	R	MU.912.O.3.1 Analyze expressive elements in a musical work and describe how the choices and manipulations of the elements support, for the listener, the implied meaning of the composer/performer.				
S= 7%	E	R	MU.912.S.3.4 Analyze and describe the effect of rehearsal sessions and/or strategies on refinement of skills and techniques.	0-4	0-2	0	4
NtK= 1%	NtK	R	MU.912.C.1.2 Compare, using correct music vocabulary, the aesthetic impact of	0-2	0-1	0	2

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			two or more performances of a musical work to one's own hypothesis of the composer's intent.				
NtK	R	MU.912.C.1.3	Analyze instruments of the world and classify them by common traits.				
NtK	R	MU.912.F.3.2	Summarize copyright laws that govern printed, recorded, and on-line music to promote legal and responsible use of intellectual property and technology.				
NtK	R	MU.912.H.1.3	Compare two or more works of a composer across performance media.				
NtK	R	MU.912.H.1.4	Analyze how Western music has been influenced by historical and current world cultures.				
NtK	R	MU.912.H.1.5	Analyze music within cultures to gain understanding of authentic performance practices.				
TOTAL NUMBER OF SCORED ITEMS				15	3	0	18
TOTAL NUMBER OF POINTS				15	6	0	21

SECTION B – PERFORMING TASKS 70% of EXAM – 15 minutes

A	P1	MU.912.O.3.2	Interpret and perform expressive elements indicated by the musical score and/or conductor.
A	P1	MU.912.S.3.1	Synthesize a broad range of musical skills by performing a varied repertoire with expression, appropriate stylistic interpretation, technical accuracy, and kinesthetic energy.
A	P1	MU.912.S.3.5	Develop and demonstrate proper vocal or instrumental technique.
AC	P1, O2	MU.912.O.2.1	Transfer accepted composition conventions and performance practices of a specific style to a contrasting style of music.
B	O1	M U.912.S.1.4	Perform and notate, independently and accurately, melodies by ear.
C	O2	MU.912.S.3.2	Sight-read music accurately and expressively to show synthesis of skills.

Performance Task	Number of Tasks	Points
PREPARED (24 points)	1-2	24 to 48
ON-DEMAND		
Sight reading (8 points)	0-1	0-8
By ear (4 points)	0-2	0-8
CREATE (8 points)	0-1	0-8
TOTAL	2-4	48

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BAC	MU.912.C.1.1	Apply listening strategies to promote appreciation and understanding of unfamiliar musical works.
BAC	MU.912.C.2.1	Evaluate and make appropriate adjustments to personal performance in solo and ensembles.
BAC	MU.912.F.3.1	Analyze and describe how meeting one's responsibilities in music offers opportunities to develop leadership skills, and identify personal examples of leadership in school and/or non-school settings.
BAC	MU.912.F.3.3	Define, prioritize, monitor, and successfully complete tasks related to individual musical performance or project presentation, without direct oversight, demonstrating skills for use in the workplace.
BAC	MU.912.H.1.1	Investigate and discuss how a culture's traditions are reflected through its music.
BAC	MU.912.H.2.1	Evaluate the social impact of music on specific historical periods.
BAC	MU.912.H.2.4	Examine the effects of developing technology on composition, performance, and acquisition of music.
BAC	MU.912.S.2.2	Transfer expressive elements and performance techniques from one piece of music to another.

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