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# NYSSMA — SPRING EVALUATION FESTIVAL ALL-STATE TIMPANI SOLO

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## 77-79 73-76 70-72 STUDENT INFORMATION 93-96 90-92 D+ 67-69 D 63-66 B+ 87-89 Name of Student 83-86 School District and Building / NYSSMA Zone D- 60-62 B- 80-82 E 59 and below School Address\_\_\_\_ COMPOSITION Title \_\_Required Movements\_ \_\_Manual Page No. \_\_ Composer Arranger FESTIVAL INFORMATION \_Date\_\_\_\_/ \_\_\_\_\_/ \_\_\_\_ Audition Time \_\_\_ Location \_ Adjudicator's Evaluation Adjudicator's Comments SOLO EVALUATION TONE ......0-15 Intonation ...... Head Compassing ..... Playing Area ...... Stroke ..... Hand Position . . . . . . . □ Mallet Control ..... Articulation ..... Extraneous Sounds ...... Muffling . . . . . . . . □ ACCURACY . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 0-15 Accuracy of Notes ..... Accuracy of Rhythm ..... Sticking ..... $\square$ Phrasing and Expression . . . . . □ **BASIC PROFICIENCY EVALUATION** BASICS . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 0-10 Interval #1 ..... Interval #2 . . . . . . . . . . □ Time Limit . . . . . . . . . $\square$ SIGHTREADING ......0-10 Accuracy of Notes . . . . . □ Accuracy of Rhythm ..... Accuracy of Tempo . . . . . . □ Accuracy of Dynamics . . . . . □ TOTAL POINTS SCORED .....

ALL-STATE RECOMMENDATION: Completely separate both parts BEFORE writing below. Keep TOP part for your proficiency report and send bottom (student's copy) to NYSSMA Office. Do you recommend this student for Conference All-State? 

Yes 
No. If YES, PLEASE CHECK

THE BOX THAT BEST DESCRIBES THIS SOLOIST BASED ON THE PERFORMANCE YOU EVALUATED.

- A mature musician who could perform the most demanding All-State music including solo parts
- A strong musician who could perform the most demanding All-State music
- A capable musician who could perform All-State music

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Comments for Selection Committee: \_

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# **ALL-STATE**

# General Information

#### Dear Student:

Congratulations on your decision to audition for an All-State organization. You are applying for acceptance into one of New York's most prestigious performing organizations. Your adjudicator has evaluated your audition by rating your performance numerically in each of seven major categories. Your Final Rating is a total of these scores converted to a letter grade. Notable strengths (+) or weaknesses (-) in your performance are indicated in the box next to each sub-category. An unmarked box next to a sub-category indicates that this aspect of your performance was satisfactory. If a concern should arise as a result of this evaluation, your teacher is encouraged to discuss your concern(s) with the NYSSMA Representative. If your concern(s) remains unresolved, the NYSSMA Representative will inform you of further steps which can be taken. In order to help you understand the basis for your evaluation, definitions for the various categories and subcategories in which your audition was evaluated are provided below. Study this form carefully. Take time to review it with your teacher(s) so they will be able to help you further develop and refine your musical skills. Best wishes for your future success.

# **DEFINITIONS**

## **SOLO EVALUATION**

**TONE** – The sound produced by the instrument

Intonation - Initial intervals are tuned accurately

Accuracy of Pitches - Pitch changes are tuned accurately

Head Compassing - The head is in tune with itself

Playing Area - Striking area on instrument

Stroke - The manner in which the sound is produced

Choice of Mallets - Mallets should be consistent with the style of the solo

TECHNIQUE - The physical ability and mechanical dexterity required to produce notes correctly

Hand Position - The manner in which mallets are held

Mallet Control – Preciseness of execution and muscular coordination

Evenness of Rolls - The ability to sustain a sound using evenly-spaced single strokes

Articulation - Clarity of rhythms

Extraneous Sounds – Sounds not pertinent to the performance

 $\pmb{\mathsf{Muffling}} - \mathsf{Stopping} \ \mathsf{the} \ \mathsf{sound}$ 

ACCURACY - The exact realization of the notated music

Accuracy of Notes – The performance of notes as written

 $\label{eq:curacy} \textbf{Accuracy of Rhythm} - \text{The performance of rhythms as written}$ 

Pulse – The performance of natural accents implied by the meter of the composition

 $\textbf{INTERPRETATION} - \textbf{The performer's realization of the composer's aesthetic intent and the performer's artistic expression$ 

Tempo - The speed of the music according to the metronomic, stylistic and/or expressive markings of the music

Accents – Specific emphasis on notes as indicated

Dynamics - The contrast between loud and soft

Sticking - Appropriate use of right and left hands

**MUSICIANSHIP** – The quality which gives distinctive character and excellence to artistic expression

**Style** – The understanding of the composer's musical intent consistent with the historical period of the composition **Phrasing and Expression** – The way written and/or unwritten dynamics are combined to give character to the solo

**Artistry** – The performer's musical and expressive involvement in the music

## **BASIC PROFICIENCY EVALUATION**

**BASICS** – Basic proficiency requirement as listed in the NYSSMA Spring Evaluation Festival Rules and Regulations – Evaluates one aspect of basic musicianship

Roll – Ability to perform a roll

Interval #I - Ability to tune intervals requested by adjudicator

Interval #2 - Ability to tune intervals requested by adjudicator

Time Limit - Tuning accomplished within prescribed time limit

**SIGHT-READING** – Basic proficiency requirement – The ability to perform a musical excerpt (conforming to the criteria outlined in the NYSSMA Spring Evaluation Festival Rules and Regulations) at sight

Accuracy of Notes - Actual pitches are tuned accurately

Accuracy of Rhythm - The performance of rhythms as written

Accuracy of Tempo - The appropriate speed

**Accuracy of Dynamics** – The performance of dynamic levels as written