



Evaluate each caption based on the criteria reference. Composition (What) is inherent in the evaluation of the Achievement (How). The emphasis and focus of adjudication will be on the wind instruments.

Composition	Achievement				
Depth and Variety of Orchestration Clarity of Intent Range of Musical Choices Range of Dynamics and Expression	Sonority Musicality Balance and Blend Intonation Stylistic Accuracy Rhythmic Accuracy/Tempo Control Ensemble Cohesion				
Score	Score				
100	100				
Judge Signature					

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Composition

Who had the greater understanding/achievement as it relates to...

Depth and Variety of Orchestration: The thoughtful and thorough planning used to convey musical ideas.

Clarity of Intent: The composer's presentation of compositional elements in a clear and concise manner.

Range of Musical Choices: The scope of musical and technical repertoire and vocabulary displayed in the program.

Range of Dynamics and Expression: The breadth of dynamic and expressive qualities within a program that provide intrigue, contrast, and direction to the phrase.

	Box 1	Box 2	Box 3	Box 4	Box 5	
Descriptors	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Frequently	Consistently	
Numerical Range	0 to 49	50 to 59	60 to 79	80 to 89	90 to 100	
Learning Steps	Experience	Discover	Know	Understand	Apply	
Achievement						

Who had the greater understanding/achievement as it relates to...

Sonority: The ensemble's quality of tone, timbre and resonance.

Musicality: The ability of the performers to convey compositional intent and expressive qualities.

Balance and Blend: Balance refers to the dynamic strength of sections and individuals to convey the musical intent e.g. melody, harmony, etc. Blend is the merging of instrumental voices for the intended combination of timbres.

Intonation: The musician's realization of pitch accuracy

Stylistic Accuracy: The musician's ability to accurately convey the chosen style through technique, interpretation, and inflection.

Rhythmic Accuracy/Tempo Control: The ability of individual musicians and segments to produce accurate rhythmic content in a given tempo.

Ensemble Cohesion: The ability of the ensemble to establish and maintain pulse control and rhythmic stability, both vertically and horizontally.

Sub Caption Spreads						
Very Comparable	Minor Differences	Definitive Differences	Significant Difference			
1 to 2 percentage points 3 to 4 percentage points		5 to 7 percentage points	8 & higher percentage points			

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