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Pennsylvania Music Educators Association CHORUS		Judge Na Judge Sig	Voice Part: Judge Name (Print) Judge Signature Judge #:		AUDITION #	PITCH/INTONATION	RHYTHM	INTERPRETATION	TECHNIQUE	TONE	TOTAL	NOTES
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SCORE Use		criptors, no half	points or i	tentns								
13 - 15	DLS	Superior	A+	Outstanding								
Mostly • Continuously • Constantly • Exemplary			· ·									
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10 - 12	Ш	Excellent	Α	Advanced								
Regularly • Often • Frequently • Many • Consistently • Satisfying												
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7 - 9	Ш	Good	В	Proficient								
Usually • Modera												
4 - 6	IV	Fair	С	Basic								
Inconsistently • Occasionally • Infrequently • Sometimes • Vague • Uncertain												
1 - 3	V	Unsatisfactory	U	Below Basic								
,		Few • Incomplete										
TOTAL SCORE REFLECTING FINAL RATING												
	SCORE DESCRIPTORS											
63-75	I	Superior	A+	Outstanding								
48-62	П	Excellent	Α	Advanced								
33-47	Ш	Good	В	Proficient								
18-32	IV	Fair	С	Basic								
5-17	V	Unsatisfactory	U	Below Basic								
Updated Aug 2	Tiebreaker Order: 1. Rhythm; 2. Pitch/Intonation; 3. Interpretation; 4. Technique; 5. Tone											

EVALUATION AREAS - VOCAL

PITCH/INTONATION

KEY ASPECTS Note Accuracy: Pitch Accuracy/Intonation; Consistency of intonation throughout Range of Pitch & **Dynamics: Intonation within Melodic Line & Tonality**

ADDITIONAL FACTORS: Note accuracy overall and within the context of key and tonality, including key signatures, key changes and accidentals outside of the key; Accuracy within intervals and role within a given chord; Listening and making adjustments

RHYTHM

KEY ASPECTS | Pulse & Meter Stability; Rhythms & Rhythm Pattern Accuracy; Clarity of Entrances & Releases

ADDITIONAL FACTORS: Pulse stability; Weight within the given meter; Meter changes; Rhythm concerning precise length of sound and silence; Accuracy within basic and complex rhythm patterns and pattern combinations, including ties, dotted notes, syncopation and tuplets; Rhythmic precision through subdivision; Melismatic Syllables; Slur clarity and precision;

INTERPRETATION

KEY ASPECTS | Tempo; Dynamics; Phrasing; Style; Expression, Nuance & Artistry

ADDITIONAL FACTORS: Tempo – stability, changes, range and contrast; Dynamics – levels, changes, range and contrast; Phrasing, note shaping, phrase shaping, overall linear contouring; Realization of the composer's aesthetic intent; Syllabic and word stress enhances phrasing and meaning of the text; Style in terms of performance practice and historical context; Articulation implied by the style; Vibrato as an aspect of expression; Projecting mood; Communicating text; Nuance and artistic subtleties; Sensitivity; Musicality; Effect; Emotion;

TECHNIQUE

KEY ASPECTS Diction & Pronunciation; Facility & Flexibility; Control & Consistency; Breath Control & Management

ADDITIONAL FACTORS: Clarity of consonants at the beginning, middle and ends of words; Vowel formation and placement consistently correct; Vowels pure and unified throughout range of pitch and dynamics; Dipthongs consistently correct and unified; Naturalness of pronunciation correct and languageappropriate; Enunciation clear, precise and stylistically appropriate; Vibrato as an aspect of technique; Facility as the ease of execution of technical passages reflecting scope and depth of content; Flexibility as the ease of maneuverability throughout range; Clarity; Precision; Smoothness;

TONE

KEY ASPECTS | Quality, Clarity & Projection; Breathing; Control & Consistency throughout Range of Pitch & **Dynamics**

ADDITIONAL FACTORS: Focus; Maturity; Warmth; Naturalness; Characteristic timbre throughout range; Breath support as applied to tone; Consistency and evenness of sonority; Pitch center; Resonance; Control of coloration; Vibrato as an aspect of tone