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National Core Arts Standards

Rehearse, Evaluate & Refine	Enduring Understanding	Essential Question
To express their musical ideas, musicians analyze, evaluate, and refine their performance over time through openness to new ideas, persistence, and the application of appropriate criteria	To express their musical ideas, musicians analyze, evaluate, and refine their performance over time through openness to new ideas, persistence, and the application of appropriate criteria	How do musicians improve the quality of their performance?
Evaluate	Enduring Understanding	Essential Question
Support evaluations of musical works and performances based on analysis, interpretation, and established criteria.	The personal evaluation of musical works and performances is informed by analysis, interpretation, and established criteria.	How do we judge the quality of musical work(s) and performance(s)?
Present	Enduring Understanding	Essential Question
Perform expressively, with appropriate interpretation and technical accuracy, and in a manner appropriate to the audience and context	Musicians judge performance based on criteria that vary across time, place, and cultures. The context and how a work is presented influence the audience response.	When is a performance judged ready to present? How do context and the manner in which musical work is presented influence audience response?

Critical Listening/Evaluation Assignment

Using Soundcloud listen to the specified ensemble recording and comment on the performance. Describe the best qualities of the performance, and identify what needs to be worked on in future rehearsals. Please link your comments to specific times on the recording. Be constructive with your comments, be prepared to discuss your comments in rehearsal. While making comments keep the following in mind;

- 1) Ensemble Tone/Intonation, Section Tone/Intonation, Individual Tone/Intonation
- 2) Rhythmic and Pitch Accuracy
- 3) Phrasing
- 4) Dynamics
- 5) Articulation
- 6) Balance and Blend of the Ensemble