

UHSAA Music Adjudicator Agreement

Please read and sign at the bottom

- As an adjudicator, I agree to justify each rating by providing a concise written or verbal evaluation (if recorded) of the strengths and weaknesses of each performance. It is never appropriate to write 'see tape.'
- I will not give verbal or visual critique or assistance to students before or during a performance.
- I will arrive punctually to the festival. Time of arrival is no later than 15 minutes prior to the scheduled time of the first performance.
- I will wear professional business attire when I adjudicate at region and state events.
- I will assess the proper rating for a performance without discussion. I may discuss my decision on a rating with other adjudicators if I choose to, but I am not required or expected to do so.
- I will not attempt to coerce another adjudicator into changing a rating.
- Where possible, I will avoid adjudicating my own students.
- I will provide evaluation that is clear, encouraging and educational. I will include at least one positive comment in my critique. My comments will include recommendations for continued musical growth.
- I will evaluate the festival performance without bias from other factors.
- I will not let anger, ego, or fatigue affect judgment.
- I will not attempt to solicit students for my private studio or program while adjudicating Region or State Festivals.
- I will not disseminate any gifts or products to students following a performance.
- I will frequently review rubrics to improve rating consistency.
- I understand that Region Festivals qualify entries for the State Festival by awarding a Superior Rating I. A I- rating or lower does not qualify the entry for State Festival participation. A large ensemble, however, may qualify for State with three I's or two I's and one I-. If there are only two adjudicators for the event, two I's are required to qualify for State.
- I have reviewed the UHSAA Music Music Policies (uhsaa.org) at least once in the past calendar year.
- If I have any concerns after adjudicating a festival, I will notify the UMEA Adjudication Committee immediately. (umea.us/grievance.php)

Signature of Adjudicator

Date