

Effect - Music

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Composition

- Program Interpretation
- Musical and Visual Coordination
- Staging and Impact Moments
- Creativity, Originality and Imagination
- Variety and Range
- Pacing and Continuity

Score

100

Performance Quality

- Communication
- Engagement
- Emotional Intensity
- Artistic Expression
- Professionalism
- Expressive and Impactful Moments
- Showmanship
- Technical Impact

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Total

200

**MARYLAND MARCHING BAND ASSOCIATION
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Who had the greater understanding/achievement as it relates to:

- Program Interpretation:** Musical design demonstrates concepts and approaches which displays and truly brings music to motion.
- Musical and Visual Coordination:** Design elements are established and maintained to fully showcase the visual and musical repertoire.
- Staging and Impact Moments:** Performers are given challenging responsibilities to develop and enhance visual and musical appeal at appropriate moments.
- Creativity, Originality and Imagination:** Unique layers of effect constantly develop through mood, appeal, design and flow design standards.
- Variety and Range:** Musical range, exposure and composition communicate a diverse range of ideas demonstrating visual musicality.
- Pacing and Continuity:** Through design and continual flow of visual and musical ideas, consistent development is displayed for a complete aesthetic journey.

	Box 1	Box 2	Box 3	Box 4	Box 5
<i>Descriptors</i>	Rarely	Sometimes	Frequently	Consistently	Superior
<i>Numeric Range</i>	60 to 65	66 to 73	74 to 89	90 to 97	98 to 100
<i>Learning Steps</i>	Experience	Discover	Know	Understand	Apply

Performance Quality

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

- Engagement:** Performers **communicate** their show concept and roles creating clear with appeal to the audience while developing **emotional intensity** presenting important moments through artistic involvement in the complete presentation.
- Artistic Expression:** Awareness, sensitivity and adherence to style, dynamics and phrasing present emotional moments to the overall show. **Professionalism:** Communicating a detailed and emotionally varied performance to establish audience response.
- Expressive and Impactful Moments:** Ability to present convincing concepts while evoking responses from the audience is completely demonstrated.
- Showmanship:** Performers come to life as they fully perform for the audience and constantly engage the crowd's excitement and involvement.
- Technical Impact:** Performers achieve on a technical level allowing for potential, full communication of the desired effect.

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