



NORTH CAROLINA BANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION

Concert Band MPA Committee

Rodney K. Workman, Committee Chair

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Reminders of Changes Affecting 2016 Concert Band and Solo Ensemble MPA

- **Sight Reading Judge Script** - The new script will go into use this year. It can be found on the website under the the Concert Band MPA Section.
- **Clinician/Judge Reminder** - *“MPA judges are prohibited from guest conducting, rehearsing, and evaluating a group in the same semester that they will judge at their MPA event.”* Please contact your MPA Event Chair if you are aware of any conflicts.
- **Stage Sheet Revision** - The new captions in the 2015 proposal were adopted by the board for this year to be used with the “Standards for Ratings”. Wording changes, the rubric on the back of the sheet, and other revisions will be looked at this summer. Please send input to your MPA Reps after the 2016 MPA.
- **Sight Reading Sheet Revision** - The order of the categories in the Sight Reading Sheet were adjusted but the categories did not change. It was felt that “Rhythm “ was a section that was needed in this sheet as a separate category from “Technique”. Please send input to your MPA Reps after 2016 MPA.
- **Solo Ensemble Sheet Revision** - These sheets are posted online. They will be tweaked this summer so send input to your MPA Reps after the 2016 MPA.
- **Required March** - Please make sure you are playing a MARCH in addition to your two selections from the list. A march is required. If you need clarification as to what a march is contact the President-Elect/MPA Committee Chair.
- **Out of District Request** - “Bands may cross district lines upon receiving written release from their District Concert MPA Chairperson and written permission from the District Concert Band MPA Chairperson where they wish to enter. **Written release must be obtained by February 1st.** If problems occur, the director should contact the State Concert Band MPA Chairperson, who shall intervene and make a final decision.”