

8th Grade Rubric

Task Element	1	2	3	4
Pitch-Rhythm (SmartMusic score)	0-59%	60-76%	77-92%	93-100%
Note Value Duration	Seldom or Never sustains notes for given length (5 or more errors)	Some of the time sustains notes for given length (3-4 errors)	Most of the time sustains notes for given length (1 -2 errors)	Always sustains notes for given length (Zero errors)
Tone	Seldom or Never demonstrates controlled, even, tension-free tone	Demonstrates controlled, even, tension-free tone some of the time	Demonstrates controlled, even, tension-free, tone most of the time	Always demonstrates controlled, even, tension-free tone
Dynamics	Attention to dynamic levels is never obvious	Dynamic levels fluctuate but can be discerned only some of the time	Dynamic levels are accurate and consistent most of the time	Dynamic levels are always obvious, accurate and consistent
Articulations	Seldom or Never demonstrates accurate articulation	Demonstrates accurate articulations some of the time	Demonstrates accurate articulations most of the time	Always demonstrates accurate articulations