



## Wind Ensemble Honors

10-12, Fine & Performing Arts

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**Effective Date:** Fall 2022

Month	Unit 1: Performing	Unit 2: Creating	Unit 3: Connecting	Unit 4: Responding
September (MP1)				
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March (MP3)				
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## Unit 1

### Performance in Instrumental Music

#### Summary and Rationale

##### Unit Summary

This unit contains the musical skills and tools that students need to engage in the artistic process of instrumental performing independently and collaboratively at the **advanced** level.

The students will build instrumental technique, sight reading skills, and explore different forms of musical expression through teacher chosen exercises and repertoire. Regular performances for audiences of peers, family, and community members provide students with an opportunity for reflection on their progress in the realms of instrumental technique, musical literacy, and musical expression.

##### Unit Rationale

Students in Wind Ensemble Honors need to become artistically literate through expressing and realizing creative ideas when performing a variety of musical skills, techniques, and repertoire, therefore, giving them the necessary tools to transition to higher grade level ensembles.

#### Recommended Pacing

40 Weeks

#### Standards

**NJ: 2020 SLS: Visual and Performing Arts - Music Ensembles - NJ: Advanced ([link](#))**

##### Anchor Standard 4: Selecting, analyzing and interpreting work

1.3C.12adv.Pr4a

Develop and apply criteria to select varied programs to study and perform based on an understanding of theoretical and structural characteristics and expressive challenges in the music, the technical skill of the individual or ensemble and the purpose and context of the performance.

1.3C.12adv.Pr4b

Examine, evaluate, and critique, using music reading skills (where appropriate), how the structure and context impact and inform prepared and improvised performances.

1.3C.12adv.Pr4c

Demonstrate how understanding the style, genre and context of a varied repertoire of music informs prepared and improvised performances as well as performers' technical skills to connect with the audience.

##### Anchor Standard 5: Developing and refining techniques and models or steps needed to create products.

1.3C.12adv.Pr5a

Develop, apply, and refine appropriate rehearsal strategies to address individual and ensemble challenges in a varied repertoire of music.

<b>Anchor Standard 6: Conveying meaning through art.</b>	
1.3C.12adv.Pr6a	Demonstrate an understanding and mastery of the technical demands and expressive qualities of the music through prepared and improvised performances of a varied repertoire representing diverse cultures, styles, genres, and historical periods in multiple types of ensembles.
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<b>Instructional Focus</b>	
<b>Enduring Understandings:</b>	
<b>Essential Questions:</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Performers' interest in a knowledge of musical works, understanding of their own technical skills, and the context for a performance influence the selection of repertoire.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Musicians judge performance based on criteria that vary across time, place, and culture. The context and how a work is presented influences the audience response.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How do performers select repertoire?</li> <li>How do musicians improve the quality of their performance?</li> <li>When is a performance deemed ready to present?</li> <li>How does context and the manner in which a musical work is presented influence an audience's response?</li> </ul>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Classroom Observations, Questioning, and Discussions</li> <li>Teacher Observation of Student Performances</li> <li>Student Reflections</li> <li>Final Projects (rubric)</li> <li>Performance Evaluations</li> <li>Pre and post assessments</li> <li>Self-evaluations (rubric)</li> <li>Thinking Routines (link)</li> </ul>	

- Independent/Group Testing

**Objectives (SLO)**

Students will know:

**Foundations of Music Literacy**

- How to experience and explore exemplary musical examples using technology and available live performances;
- How to identify and describe melodic and harmonic parts when listening to and performing music using a melodic reading system such as letter names, note names, or scale degrees;
- How to define concepts of music notation, intervals, and chord structure using appropriate terminology;
- How to define concepts of rhythm and meter using appropriate terminology and counting systems;
- How to explore elements of music such as rhythm, meter, melody, harmony, key, expression markings, texture, form, dynamics, and timbre through literature selected for performance;
- How to apply health and wellness concepts related to music practice such as body mechanics, hearing protection, hydration, and appropriate hygienic practices.
- How to read and notate music that incorporates rhythmic patterns in simple, compound, and asymmetric meters;
- Interpret music symbols and expressive terms referring to dynamics, tempo, and articulation.

**Creative Expression**

- How to demonstrate mature, characteristic sound appropriate for the genre;
- How to demonstrate psychomotor and kinesthetic skills such as appropriate posture, breathing, articulation, and phrasing;
- How to demonstrate rhythmic accuracy within appropriate tempo;
- How to create and notate or record original musical phrases;
- How to demonstrate mature, characteristic sound appropriate for the genre while performing;
- How to demonstrate rhythmic accuracy using appropriate tempo while performing;

Students will be able to:

**Foundations of Music Literacy**

- Describe various aspects of band music in terms of melody, harmony, tempo, texture and make comparisons between performances
- Identify various elements of musical texture and place them in the correct prioritized relationship.
- Describe how our system of music notation works to identify pitch referencing staff, clef, and ledger lines.
- Count rhythms using appropriate counting systems and be able to describe how time signatures work.
- Describe how elements of music such as rhythm, meter, melody, harmony, key, expression markings, texture, dynamics influence the effectiveness of a musical work they are performing.
- Explain why correct posture and body mechanics are important for their health and wellness.
- Read and notate music that incorporates rhythmic patterns in simple meters (2/4, 3/4, 4/4, 4/8, etc.).
- Read and notate music that incorporates rhythmic patterns in compound meters (3/8, 6/8, 9/8, 12/16, etc.).
- Read and notate music that incorporates rhythmic patterns in asymmetric meters (5/8, 7/8, etc.).
- Define terms relating to tempo (eg. allegro, rit., adagio, accel., etc).
- Define terms relating to dynamics (forte, pianissimo, crescendo, dim., etc.).
- Describe the meaning of various types of articulation (staccato, legato, marcato, tenuto).

**Creative Expression**

- Perform with a mature, characteristic instrumental sound.
- Perform with correct articulation and demonstrate correct posture when performing.
- Perform various rhythms and in tempo.
- Accurately perform in major/minor keys based on their observance of key signatures.

- How to demonstrate observance of key signature and modalities while performing;
- How to demonstrate use of a melodic reading system such as letter names, note names, or scale degrees while performing;
- How to demonstrate correct intonation, appropriate phrasing, and appropriate dynamics while performing.

### **Historical and cultural relevance**

- How to compare and contrast music by genre, style, culture, and historical period;
- How to identify music-related vocations and avocations;
- How to identify and describe the uses of music in societies and cultures;
- How to identify and explore relationships between music and other academic disciplines;
- How to identify and explore the impact of technologies, ethical issues, and economic factors on music, performers, and performances;
- How to identify and explore tools for college and career preparation such as social media applications, repertoire lists, auditions, and interview techniques.

### **Critical evaluation and response**

- How to practice informed concert etiquette as a performer and as an audience member during live and recorded performances in a variety of settings;
- How to design and apply criteria for making informed judgements regarding the quality and effectiveness of musical performances.
- How to develop processes for self-evaluation and select tools for personal artistic improvement;
- How to evaluate musical performances by comparing them to exemplary models.

### **Ensemble Skills**

- How to develop constant awareness of the changing nature of one's role within the ensemble and the relationship to those around them.

### **Embodying the Music**

- Body language, facial expressions, and our subsequent perception of a performer's commitment, mastery, or insecurity all impact the perception of a listener.

- Demonstrate correct intonation and adjust to match pitch with section and ensemble.
- Demonstrate appropriate dynamics and phrasing.
- Create original musical phrases by using notation or audio recording.
- Perform with a mature, characteristic instrumental sound while sight reading.
- Perform with correct articulation and demonstrate correct posture while sight reading.
- Perform various rhythms and in tempo while sight reading.
- Accurately perform in major/minor keys based on their observance of key signatures while sight reading.
- Demonstrate correct intonation and adjust to match pitch with section while sight reading.
- Demonstrate appropriate dynamics and phrasing while sight reading.
- Create original musical phrases by using notation or audio recording.

### **Historical and cultural relevance**

- Compare and contrast music of different genres, styles, cultural and historical periods.
- Identify music-related vocations and avocations.
- Describe and discuss various uses of music in societies and cultures.
- Make connections between the study of music and other academic disciplines.
- Identify and explore the impact of technologies, ethical issues, and economic factors on music, performers, and performances.
- Identify tools for college and career preparation such as auditions, repertoire lists, interview techniques, and social media applications.

### **Critical evaluation and response**

- Describe and demonstrate appropriate concert etiquette as a performer and as an audience member.
- Discuss the differences in concert etiquette in a variety of settings
- Discuss various criteria for making judgments about the quality of music performances.
- Make informed judgements regarding the quality and effectiveness of musical performances.
- Develop and write processes for self-evaluation.
- Select tools for personal artistic improvement.

- Evaluate musical performances by comparing them to exemplary models.

**Ensemble Skills**

- Cultivate awareness of the ensemble by coordinating balance, blend, articulation, and harmonic intonation.

**Embodying the Music**

- Develop an awareness of the mind and body connection to better connect with and embody music in practice and performance.
- Explore connections between impulse and their own life experiences.
- Discuss how the message of a piece should be conveyed not just in sound, but in our body language.

● Suggested Resources/Technology Tools

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**Modifications**

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### **Career Readiness, Life Literacies, and Key Skills Practices (June 2020)**

- Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee.
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- Plan education and career paths aligned to personal goals.
- Use technology to enhance productivity.
- Work productively in teams while using cultural global competence.



## Unit 2

### Creating in Instrumental Music

#### Summary and Rationale

##### Unit Summary

The material content covered in this unit includes the systematic development of instrumental technique, sight reading skills, music theory, composition, and ensemble skills necessary to achieve the level of **advanced** as outlined in the NJSLC Creating artistic process.

The students will develop musical and instrumental skills throughout the year to reach proficient level with the artistic processes of creating and performing original music and ideas.

##### Unit Rationale

When wind ensemble students explore the artistic process of creating music including improvising, composing, and refining musical decisions, they are empowered to develop creative and critical thinking, social-emotional competencies, and intellectual and expressive abilities.

#### Recommended Pacing

32 Weeks

#### Standards

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##### Anchor Standard 1: Generating and conceptualizing ideas

1.3Cadv.Cr1a	Compose and improvise musical ideas for a variety of purposes and contexts
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##### Anchor Standard 2: Organizing and developing ideas

1.3Cadv.Cr2a	Select and develop composed and improvised ideas into draft musical works organized for a variety of purposes and contexts
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##### Anchor Standard 3: Refining and completing products

1.3Cadv.Cr3a	Evaluate and refine varied draft musical works based on appropriate criteria, including the extent to which they address identified purposes and contexts.
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1.3Cadv.Cr3b	Share varied, personally developed musical works (individually or as an ensemble) that address identified purposes and contexts
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Students will know:	Students will be able to:
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- How to compose and/or improvise melodies given tonal, metric, and durational parameters.

**Musical expressive devices and technique**

- How to recognize and perform common musical expressive devices.
- How to build a healthy instrumental technique through the usage of musical expressive devices.

**Ensemble Skills**

- How to recognize the role of both the individual and the ensemble at large when rehearsing and performing.
- How to adapt, contribute and respond to various musical textures that are presented in a wind ensemble.

**Composition and Improvisation**

- Compose and/or improvise melodies given tonal, metric, and durational parameters.

**Musical expressive devices and technique**

- Perform common musical expressive devices (crescendo, decrescendo, sforzando etc.,.)
- Recognize notated expressive devices while building healthy instrumental technique.

**Ensemble Skills**

- Recognize one’s role within the ensemble and the relationship to the surrounding musicians.
- Understand the musical textures of a wind ensemble and become equipped to contribute and respond to the section(s).

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## Unit 3

### Connecting in Instrumental Music

#### Summary and Rationale

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The material covered in this unit will bring forth student personal experiences, interests and their knowledge of concepts in order to connect to music at the **advanced** level.

The students will make connections, explore and develop proficiency at the **advanced** level in the following areas of instrumental music and personal instrumental study:

- Practice
- Listening and Analysis
- Phrase Shape
- Energy and Vitality
- Embodying the Music
- Ensemble Awareness
- Independent Expression
- Ensemble Expression
- Performance Health

##### Knowledge and Connection to the Music Literature

- Major historical time periods (Medieval, Renaissance, Baroque, Classical, Romantic, Contemporary) and their characteristic traits in relation to the chosen repertoire.
- Characteristic traits of music from various cultures (African, Asian, Hispanic, etc.) in relation to the chosen repertoire.
- Characteristic traits of music from various genres in relation to the chosen repertoire.

##### Unit Rationale

When Wind Ensemble students see themselves reflected in their creating, performing, and understanding of music, it enables them to have meaningful experiences as musicians and take ownership of their craft.

#### Recommended Pacing

20 Weeks

#### Standards

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**Anchor Standard 10: Synthesizing and relating knowledge and personal experiences to create products.**

1.3B.12adv.Cn10a	Demonstrate how interests, knowledge and skills related to personal choices and intent when creating, performing and responding to music
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## Unit 4

### Responding in Instrumental Music

#### Summary and Rationale

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Students will build instrumental technique, sight reading skills, and explore different forms of musical expression through teacher chosen exercises and repertoire. Regular performances for audiences of peers, family, and community members provide students with an opportunity for reflection on their progress in the realms of instrumental technique, musical literacy, and musical expression.

Students will make connections and explore the following areas of instrumental music and personal instrumental study:

- Musical Elements
- Blend and Balance
- Independent Musical Expression
- Ensemble Awareness & Expression

##### Unit Rationale

When students respond to musical compositions and performances in a variety of musical genres, they deepen their own understanding and musicianship.

#### Recommended Pacing

20 Weeks

#### Standards

**NJ: 2020 SLS: Visual and Performing Arts - Music Ensembles - NJ: Advanced (link)**

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1.3C.12adv.Re7b	Demonstrate and justify how the analysis of structures, contexts and performance decisions inform the response to music

##### Anchor Standard 8: Interpreting intent and meaning

1.3C.12adv.Re8a	Justify interpretations of the expressive intent and meaning of musical works by comparing and synthesizing varied researched sources, including reference to other art forms
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<b>Anchor Standard 9: Applying criteria to evaluate products</b>	
1.3C.12adv.Re9a	Develop and justify evaluations of music, programs of music, and performances based on criteria, personal decision-making, research, and understanding of contexts
<b>SEL: Social Emotional Learning Competencies (link)</b>	
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<b>Integration of Technology</b>	
<b>Computer Science and Design Thinking - NJSL 2020</b>	
<b>Interaction of Technology and Humans</b>	
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<b>Ethics &amp; Culture</b>	
8.2.5.EC.1	Analyze how technology has contributed to or reduced inequities in local and global communities and determine its short- and long-term effects.
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