NORTH CAROLINA SYMPHONY

Music Educator Award Scoring Rubric

GUIDELINES	4	3	2	1
Educator makes meaningful connections between students' personal and musical lives	Leads students to engage with new and/or unfamiliar musical genres and styles through the lens of connecting their understanding of people, cultures, and music-making across the world to the way the students engage with music in their daily lives	Exposes students to a variety of musical genres and styles, leading them to identify connections and commonalities between classroom music and the music students engage with recreationally	Exposes students to a variety of musical genres and styles, bringing in resources to foster connections with music of state and of the world	Utilizes a variety of music genres and styles in classroom instruction
Educator inspires students of all abilities and backgrounds to reach for appropriately high musical expectations and growth Ex: Performances, adjudication notes, classroom activities and/or assessments	Students show pervasive excellence in music-making and a deep understanding of music literacy. Provides evidence that instruction for all learners is provided with differentiation to scaffold student learning to reach success	Students show moments of excellent music-making and an understanding of music literacy. Provides evidence of differentiation for specific subgroups of students (I.e. English Learners, Exceptional Children, Neurodiverse Students)	Students show that they enjoy music- making and engage in music literacy activities. Provides evidence of differentiation for specific students	Students show that they enjoy music-making. Provides evidence of generalized differentiation in the classroom
Educator serves the school community and the larger community in an exemplary manner	Leads community music ensembles/organization, has active afterschool ensembles, collaborates with the community to fulfill their musical needs	Participates in community ensembles/organizations, has active afterschool ensembles	Has a school ensemble to extend music- making activities beyond the school day	Provides exemplary music instruction during the school day
Educator serves as a role model for music education	Serves in music leadership role in teacher organization, district, or school; regularly presents/gives professional development; hosts music education student teachers	Leads professional learning community of job-alike peers; irregularly provides professional development to peers; seldom hosts student teachers	Provides limited evidence of leadership roles they have taken on across tenure	Exemplary record of excellent school music education instruction