

Eastern Washington Music Educators Association

CONCERT BAND FESTIVAL CLASSIFICATION FACTOR SHEET

All entrants to the Middle School, Junior High, and High School Concert Band Festival will use this classification form.
It was adopted by the EWMEA in May, 1989.

To determine the correct classification, figure your school's point factor for each category and then total!

I. Size of School **Point Factor** _____

1-150 = 1	401-800 = 3	1101-1500 = 5	1801-2000 = 7
151-400 = 2	801-1100 = 4	1501-1800 = 6	2001- UP = 8

II. Size of Ensemble **Point Factor** _____

1-25 = 1	41-50 = 3	61-70 = 5	81-90 = 7
26-40 = 2	51-60 = 4	71-80 = 6	91-UP = 8

III. Experience and Background

	<u>Elem.</u>	<u>MS/JHS</u>	<u>HS</u>	
<u>A. Festival Experience</u>				Point Factor _____
No festival experience in unit/feeder	0	0	1	
Some festival experience in unit/feeder	0	1	2	
Some festival experience in unit AND feeder	1	2	3	
<u>B. Instrumentation</u>				Point Factor _____
Rate poor to excellent	0-1	0-2	0-4	
<u>C. Private Lessons</u>				Point Factor _____
Rate poor to excellent	0	0-2	0-3	
<u>D. Membership</u>				Point Factor _____
Cadet or training group	0	0	0	
General (all students in program)	0	0	1	
Upper Grade Level (all students)	0	1	2	
Select Group by Audition	1	2	4	
TOTAL Point Factor				_____

Classification Summary

<u>Point Factor</u>	<u>High School</u>	<u>MS/JHS</u>	<u>NBA List Grade Level</u>
21-30	AAAA/AAA	-----	5 – 6
16-20	AA	AAA	4
11-15	A	AA	3
6-10	B	A or Middle School	2
1-5	Intended for Elementary Schools		1

Each performing group MUST perform at least one selection from the national Band Association (NBA) Selective List in their formulated grade level. The NBA list may be obtained from your local music store or WMEA university in your area. Other selections will be the choice of the director.

PLEASE NOTE: A performing group's director may request to play a piece NOT on the NBA list as a substitute under the following guidelines:

1. The request must be made no less than eight (8) weeks prior to the festival.
2. The request must be approved by the chief adjudicator of the festival.
3. The Instrumental (Band) Vice-President of the EWMEA shall designate the chief adjudicator.