

Mississippi State University Orchestras – Audition Rubric

Name: _____

Instrument: _____

Category	Description	Score
Tone Quality	Warmth, clarity, and consistency of tone across all registers	_____
Intonation	Accuracy of pitch; ability to stay in tune within solo and ensemble context	_____
Rhythm & Pulse	Steadiness, accurate execution of rhythms, and adherence to tempo	_____
Technique	Clean execution of technical passages, including scales, arpeggios, and shifts	_____
Musicality & Expression	Phrasing, dynamics, articulation, and emotional engagement with the piece	_____

Total Score: _____

- **9–10:** Outstanding — professional level performance
- **7–8:** Strong — well-prepared and confident
- **5–6:** Average — room for growth, some noticeable issues
- **3–4:** Weak — lacks consistency, needs significant improvement
- **1–2:** Unacceptable — not ready for ensemble playing

Comments:
