



## VT CONTENT AREA GRADUATION PROFICIENCIES & PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

- ARE REQUIRED BY SECTION 2120.8 OF THE EDUCATION QUALITY STANDARDS
- REFLECT EXISTING LEARNING STANDARDS REQUIRED BY THE VT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, UNDER THE VT FRAMEWORK OF STANDARDS (CCSS, NGSS, AND GES)
- Are designed to be used in conjunction with the VT Transferable Skills Graduation PROFICIENCIES, WHICH OUTLINE STUDENTS' DESIRED SKILLS AND HABITS ACROSS CONTENT AREAS
- INCLUDE THREE SETS OF PERFORMANCE INDICATORS DIFFERENTIATED BY GRADE CLUSTER— **ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE, AND HIGH SCHOOL**
- SERVE AS BENCHMARKS OF LEARNING PROGRESSION FOR ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL

# THIS DOCUMENT IS DESIGNED TO:

• ASSIST VERMONT SCHOOLS AND DISTRICTS/SUS IN DEVELOPING LEARNING REQUIREMENTS AND **EXPECTATIONS FOR THEIR STUDENTS** 

**Sample Graduation Proficiencies & Performance Indicators** 

- PROMOTE CONSISTENCY ACROSS SCHOOLS AND DISTRICTS/SUS FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS
- INCREASE PERSONALIZATION AND FLEXIBILITY FOR INSTRUCTION AND LEARNING
- HELP BUILD CURRICULUM AND STEER ASSESSMENT DEVELOPMENT
- SUPPORT FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT PRACTICES, INCLUDING PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT
- SIMULTANEOUSLY PROVIDE DATA AND INSIGHT INTO ACHIEVEMENT WHEN ALIGNED WITH THE TRANSFERABLE SKILLS
- SUPPORT STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT OF THE EXPECTED CONTENT STANDARDS

GRADUATION	PERFORMANCE INDICATORS—ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	PERFORMANCE INDICATORS—MIDDLE SCHOOL	PERFORMANCE INDICATORS—HIGH SCHOOL
PROFICIENCIES			
1. Create	MU:Cr1.1.5	MU:Cr1.1.8	MU:Cr1.1.E.HSI
	a. Explore rhythmic, melodic and harmonic ideas that	Use multiple approaches to generate rhythmic, melodic, and	Compose and improvise ideas for melodies, rhythmic passages,
- Generate and	connect to social, cultural, and historical purposes.	melodic phrases within a variety of forms that convey	and arrangements for specific purposes, in order to exhibit a
conceptualize	b. Connect musical ideas to specific tonalities, meters, and	expressive intent.	breadth of elements/styles (e.g., those studied in rehearsals).
- Organize and	chord progressions.		
develop		MU:Cr2.1.8	MU:Cr2.1.E.HSI
- Refine and complete	MU:Cr2.1.5	a. Select, organize, and document musical ideas for	a. Develop and revise draft melodies, rhythmic passages, and
artistic work	a. Perform selected and rehearsed musical ideas in	arrangements, and compositions that demonstrate	arrangements for specific purposes, in order to exhibit a
	improvisations, arrangements, and compositions while	knowledge of intended musical elements.	breadth of elements/styles.
	expressing purpose and context.	b. Use symbolic (e.g., standard, Nashville, etc.) and/or iconic	b. Preserve draft compositions and improvisations using
	b. Document student rhythmic, melodic, and two-chord	notation or recordings to document musical ideas.	standard notation and/or audio recording.
	harmonic musical ideas.	g	
		MU:Cr3.1.8	MU:Cr3.1.E.HSI & MU:Cr3.2.E.HSI
	MU:Cr3.1.5	Evaluate one's own work and articulate creative choices based	Refine and complete draft melodies, rhythmic passages, and
	Evaluate recorded documents, making revisions per teacher	on criteria.	arrangements for specific purposes, by working alone or
	and peer feedback; validating need for changes.	on criteria.	collaboratively, in order to exhibit a breadth of
	and peer recuback, validating need for changes.	MU:Cr3.2.8	
	MILLOR 2 2 E		elements/styles.
	MU:Cr3.2.5	Present the final version of one's documented composition,	
	Present final musical piece demonstrating knowledge and	song, or arrangement using craftsmanship and originality to	
	making connection to its expressive intent.	demonstrate application of compositional techniques.	

### 2. Present

- Analyze, interpret, and select
- Develop and refine
- Convey meaning through the presentation of artistic work

#### MU:Pr4.1.5

Demonstrate and explain how the music selected reflects personal interest, knowledge, and relation to technical skills learned in class.

#### MU:Pr4.2.5

- a. Demonstrate understanding of the elements of music in selected musical performances.
- b. Apply analysis skills by reading and performing standard notation.
- c. Express how performances connect to social, cultural, historical implications.

#### MU:Pr4.3.5

Explain how musical elements help convey expression in music.

#### MU:Pr5.1.5

- a. Apply teacher feedback to help evaluate the accuracy and expressiveness of group or individual performances.
- b. Practice and refine technical skills and musical elements to show improvement over time.

### MU:Pr6.1.5

- a. Perform music with attention to technical accuracy and expression.
- b. Acknowledge and demonstrate appropriate performer and audience etiquette.

#### MU:Pr4.1.8

Apply personally-developed criteria for selecting music of contrasting styles for a program with a specific purpose and/or context, and discuss expressive qualities, technical challenges, and reasons for choices.

#### MU:Pr4.2.8

- a. Compare the structure of contrasting pieces of music selected for performance, explaining how the elements of music are used in each.
- b. Analyze selected music by sight-reading simple rhythmic, melodic, and/or harmonic notation, in treble or bass clef.
- c. Identify how cultural and historical context inform performances and result in different musical effects.

# MU:Pr4.3.8

Demonstrate the interaction between musical elements and expressive intent in the interpretation of contrasting pieces of music through discussion and/or musical performance.

## MU:Pr5.1.8

Identify and apply personally-developed criteria (such as demonstrating correct interpretation of notation, technical skill of performers, originality, emotional impact, variety, and interest) to rehearse, refine, and determine when the music is ready to perform.

#### MU:Pr6.1.8

- a. Perform the music with technical accuracy, stylistic expression, and culturally authentic practices to convey the creator's intent.
- b. Acknowledge and demonstrate appropriate performer and audience etiquette.

# MU:Pr4.1.E.HSI

Select a varied repertoire based on analysis, the context of the performance, and the skills of the performer(s).

#### MU:Pr4.2.E.HSI & MU:Pr4.3.E.HSI

Demonstrate the impact of musical elements and cultural/historical context and how they inform prepared or improvised performances.

#### MU:Pr5.1.E.HSI

- a. Respect the rehearsal process and demonstrate ownership of one's own preparation and contribution to the class/ensemble.
- b. Evaluate one's own progression/learning and the progress of the ensemble, using personally- and/or collaborativelydeveloped criteria.

#### MU:Pr6.1.E.HSI

- a. Demonstrate attention to technical accuracy and an understanding of expressive intent in prepared and improvised performances across a diverse selection of music.
- b. Acknowledge and demonstrate appropriate performer and audience etiquette.

3. Respond - Perceive and analyze	MU:Re7.1.5  Identify and articulate aural evidence that connects to musical ideas/contouts	MU:Re7.1.8  Select programs of music (such as a CD mix or live	MU:Re7.1.E.HSI Apply criteria to select music for specified purposes,
- Interpret intent and	ideas/contexts.	performances) based on aural evidence that demonstrates the connections to an interest or experience for a specific	supporting choices by citing aural characteristics found in the music and connections to interest, purpose, and context.
meaning - Apply criteria to	MU:Re7.2.5 Create meaningful connections with supporting evidence to	purpose.	MU:Re7.2.E.HSI
evaluate	validate musical responses.	MU:Re7.2.8  a. Compare pieces of music based upon musical elements.	Explain how analysis and the manipulation of musical elements inform the response to music.
	MU:Re8.1.5	b. Compare pieces of music based on genre, culture, and	
	Describe how musical elements are interpreted and expressed by performers.	historical period.	MU:Re8.1.E.HSI Explain and support interpretations of expressive intent and
	MU:Re9.1.5	MU:Re8.1.8 Support personal interpretation of contrasting music and	meaning of musical works.
	Examine musical works/performances using pre-established rubrics to cite evidence of musical elements.	explain how creators or performers apply the elements of music, within genres, cultures, and historical periods.	MU:Re9.1.E.HSI Evaluate works and performances based on personally- or
	rabiles to the evidence of master elements.		collaboratively-developed criteria.
		MU:Re9.1.8 Evaluate musical works or performances according to	
		personally-developed criteria.	
4. Connect	MU:Cn10.0.5  Demonstrate how interests and skills relate to the choices	MU:Cn10.0.8  Demonstrate how interests, knowledge, and skills relate to	MU:Cn10.0.E.HSI  Demonstrate how external and internal forces influence
- Synthesize and relate knowledge and	made when creating, performing, and responding to music.	personal choices and intent when creating, performing, and responding to music.	personal choices and intent when creating, performing, and responding to music.
personal experiences	MU:Cn11.0.5		
to make art - Relate artistic ideas	Demonstrate understanding of relationships between music and the other arts and daily life.	MU:Cn11.0.8  Demonstrate understanding of relationships between music	MU:Cn11.0.E.HSI
and works with	and the other arts and daily me.	and the other arts and daily life.	Demonstrate understanding of relationships and the degrees of influence between music and the other arts, other
societal, cultural and historical context to			disciplines, varied contexts, and daily life.
deepen			
understanding			