

Massachusetts Music Educators' Association  
Central District

**TIE-BREAKING GUIDELINES**

The tie-breaking policy is intended for use in determining seating only and does not affect festival acceptance.

**Winds**

1. Overall Solo Score
2. Overall Technique Score
3. Overall Musicianship Score
4. Overall Sight-Reading Score
5. Overall Scale Score
6. Tone

**Vocal**

1. Overall Solo Score
2. Overall Vocal Technique Score
3. Overall Musicianship Score
4. Overall Sight-Reading Score
5. Tone

**Strings**

1. Overall Solo Score
2. Overall Technique Score
3. Overall Musicianship Score
4. Overall Sight-Reading Score
5. Overall Scale Score
6. Tone

**Percussion**

1. Overall Solo Score
2. Overall Auxiliary Score
3. Overall Rudiments/Articulation
4. Overall Musicianship Score
5. Overall Sight-Reading Score
6. Overall Rudiment Evaluation Score

**Jazz Winds**

1. Overall Solo Score
2. Overall Technique Score
3. Overall Interpretation Score
4. Overall Sight-Reading Score
5. Overall Scale Score
6. Tone

**Rhythm (not Drum Set)**

1. Overall Lead Sheet Score
2. Overall Technique Score
3. Overall Sight-Reading Score
4. Interpretation Score

**Drum Set**

1. Overall Prepared Piece Score
2. Overall Technique Score
3. Overall Sight-Reading Score
4. Medium Swing Score
5. Latin/Bossa Nova Score
6. Jazz/Funk Score
7. Jazz Waltz Score