

# CONCERT EVALUATIONS

*Second Semester Due Date-Friday, May 17th \*Seniors-Friday, May 3*

## SUMMARY

Middle and high school students attend two live music performances and write a general review/critique of the performers/performances.

The requirements are:

- Two concert evaluations are required per semester
- On-Campus & Off-Campus
  - One DSA performance (music related)
  - One non-DSA performance
- Genres
  - One performance must be either classical or musical theater
  - The second performance can be any genre (including classical and musical theater!)
- Assignment
  - Paper is submitted to Ms. Quigley via email: meaghan\_quigley@dpsk12.org
  - Student writes two-page paper:
    - o Typed
    - o Font is size 12, Times New Roman
    - o Double spaced
    - o Concert ticket or program attached to paper (by picture or scan)
  - Format is general review and critique of performance in essay format
  - Papers are marked down 10% of the total earned grade for every day they are late
  - Student can focus on any number of topics of their choice, some suggestions are:

- history of the music, show, composer
- style/genre of performance
- tone, blend, phrasing, pitch accuracy, musicality, expression, style, choreography
- summary of performance, pieces, plot of show
- feelings about pieces, show, songs
- cohesiveness of performance, performance theme
- performance venue, lighting, sound, transitions
- sound of concert hall or performance venue
- performers' credits, history, etc.
- favorite and least favorite parts of performance
- things that were done well and things that need improvement
- what they would have done differently
- facial expression
- stories/anecdotes performers or programs provided
- how students can use this performance to improve their performance
- how they would change the order of the program
- program flow and transitions
- other program ideas or themes
- the conductor
- ensemble/soloists' attention to conductor
- teamwork within ensembles
- any pieces they would like to do from this performance/concert

*\*NOTE-Students may do up to 2 additional concert evaluations for extra credit per semester.*