## **CRITERIA: COMPOSITION**

## Considering:

- > notation
- > selecting and applying musical elements (pitch/range, tonality, rhythm/tempo, form, timbre, texture, dynamics/expression marks)
- > selecting and applying specific compositional devices/procedures studied in class

Achievement Level	Descriptors				
0 (E)	The student  • does not reach a standard described by any of the descriptors below				
1-2 (D)	<ul> <li>notation is frequently incorrect.</li> <li>has difficulty in selecting and using musical elements. Choices made are largely inappropriate within their composition.</li> <li>has difficulty in selecting from the range composition techniques studied and in using them in a musically appropriate context.</li> </ul>				
3-4 (C)	<ul> <li>notation is occasionally correct.</li> <li>can select and use basic musical elements. Choices made are generally appropriate to the composition.</li> <li>is able select from a range of compositional techniques though uses these within contexts that are not always musically appropriate.</li> </ul>				
5-6 (B)	<ul> <li>notation is usually accurate.</li> <li>can select and use musical elements that are generally appropriate to the composition.</li> <li>can select from a range of compositional techniques and utilize them in a musically appropriate context.</li> </ul>				
7-8 (A)	<ul> <li>notation is mostly accurate.</li> <li>utilizes, with some success, musical elements that are appropriate to the composition.</li> <li>can select from a range of compositional techniques and utilize them, with some success, in a musically appropriate context.</li> </ul>				
9-10 (A+)	<ul> <li>notation is always accurate.</li> <li>successfully utilizes musical elements that are always appropriate to the composition.</li> <li>can confidently select from a range of compositional techniques and utilize them, with success, in a musically appropriate context.</li> </ul>				