

SECTION G

THE MUSICAL

A Music Theatre Performance				
<i>Code</i>	<i>Categories</i>	<i>Years</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Limit</i>
G1 A	Primary Musical (Excerpt)	1-6	Musical using minimal props.	25 min
G1 B	Primary Musical (Full Production)	1-6	Full musical which is viewed by an adjudicator at the production venue. Cast: Students from the school.	None
G2	Secondary Musical	7-12	Cast: Students from Catholic schools.	None
G3	Secondary Musical	7-12	Cast: Students from Catholic schools or colleges with support from students from other schools and colleges.	None

NOTE: Should a performance chosen by the adjudicator to receive the Section Shield, and the Festival Concert Committee select the performance to be in the Festival Concert programme, the performance time will need to be limited to approximately 12 minutes maximum, using minimum props.

1 General Educational Aims and Policy

Dramatic Aims To Think To Be To Create To Do To Share To Entertain	Genre featuring Song, Drama and Movement <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Can include Classical or Contemporary forms of Music Drama.• Must include solo/chorus singing by the cast.
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2 Preparation Details

Directors are expected to ensure that:

- The selected musical is performed to create the required atmosphere and mood.
- Students sing chorus and solo songs "live" rather than just mime the words.
- Productions are both visually and vocally interesting.
- Performers project with vitality and energy.
- Performers deliver their lines with clarity and an awareness of meaning and mood.
- Performers think in terms of role to present believable characters.
- Conductors should avoid standing in centre front where the action is as the adjudicator misses important facial expressions.
- Performers are encouraged to play towards the front of the stage rather than in groups at the back of the stage.

Primary Musical entries have a choice of EITHER presenting an excerpt performed at the Festival venue (Section G1 A) OR performing a full musical which is viewed by an adjudicator at the production venue (Section G1 B).

Primary Musicals (excerpts AND full productions) will be judged according to how well they achieve their purpose, so it is not necessarily an advantage to have the full performance adjudicated.

For Section G1A The Primary Musical (Excerpt)

- An excerpt will be performed at the set Festival venue.
- The performance in the Primary Section G1A must not exceed the 25 minute time limit.
- Directors may use appropriate props and costumes to suit character and period.
- Sets are to be kept to a minimum.
- Directors must supply set and strike stage crew. **This time is included in the total performance time.**
- Directors may use basic lighting but this must be arranged in advance.
- Directors may use available sound production facilities - ie tapes or CDs (MUSIC ONLY).

For Section G1 B The Primary Musical (Full Production)

- The entire performance will be viewed by an adjudicator at the production venue.
- There is no time limit restriction for full productions of Primary Musicals.

For Section G2 and G3 The Secondary Musical

- The entire performance will be viewed by an adjudicator at the production venue.
- Performers in the Secondary section will have no time limit restriction.

3 Copyright Information

- APRA and AMCOS copyright clearances are the responsibility of the participating school. Please refer to the enclosed Amcos Music Copyright for Schools booklet.

4 Adjudication Performance Criteria

These include:

- The extent to which the production was visually and vocally interesting.
- The effectiveness of timing and flow.
- The effectiveness, accuracy and intonation of chorus performance.
- The effectiveness of projection and performance of the solo singers.
Vitality of voice, its energy, projection and flexibility in delivery.
Clarity of diction and delivery.
- The character sincerity, spontaneity, sensitivity and the control of the actors.
- The effectiveness of movement and body response.
- The effectiveness of choreography
- The effectiveness of costuming and make-up.
- The total effect and impact.
- The effectiveness of musical accompaniment.