

## **Adjudication Quick Reference Guide**

Using the rubric is the key to a uniform, consistently-applied standard of adjudication

- Use consistent vocabulary refer to rubric for terminology and standards.
- Use the back of the sheet to keep your rating on track. Annotate it during the performance by circling, underlining, highlighting, or drawing attention to positives and negatives.
- Think conceptually, and conform your rating to your commentary and writing.
- Add helpful feedback to improve student performance. Assume everyone is doing their best.

## **Suggestions for Recorded Commentary**

- The recorded commentary should provide: 1) accountability for evaluation, 2) constructive criticism, and 3) useful information that addresses how to improve.
- Recorded commentary should be sincere and student oriented.
- React to the performance with in-depth, substantive comments. Play by play commentary is not usually helpful.
- Use the descriptors in the criteria reference boxes in the commentary.
- Provide specific help for improvement.
- Critical comments should be followed with suggestions on "how to fix."
- Avoid commentary that only identifies errors.
- Be careful that the perception of your voice is not demeaning or condescending.
- Choose your words carefully, giving thought to what you are about to say and how you are going to say it.
- Do not allow yourself to become impatient with groups because you have heard the same problem many times.

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Consistently With no or very few exceptions; typically; usually	<b>Mostly</b> Generally; more often than not	Sometimes Occasionally; periodically; at times	Rarely Seldom; infrequently; hardly ever	Never at no time; not ever; not once