

# Texas Fifth Grade Music Guidelines Checklist

## Foundations: Music Literacy

- ☐ Read & write music notation (including rhythm, pitch, and dynamics)
- ☐ Identify and interpret:
  - Treble clef pitch names
  - Basic rhythmic patterns (e.g., whole, half, quarter, eighth notes, and rests)
  - Time signatures (2/4, 3/4, 4/4)
  - Dynamic markings (piano, forte, crescendo, etc.)
  - Articulation marks (legato, staccato, accent)

## Creative Expression

- ☐ Sing or play instruments (individually or in groups)
- ☐ Perform a variety of musical styles and genres
- ☐ Echo and perform melodic and rhythmic patterns
- ☐ Improvise simple rhythmic and melodic phrases
- ☐ Compose simple musical pieces using learned notation

## Historical and Cultural Relevance

- ☐ Explore music from diverse cultures, time periods, and styles
- ☐ Identify the role of music in historical and contemporary societies
- ☐ Recognize musical contributions from composers and cultures across the globe



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## Critical Evaluation and Response

- ☐ Use appropriate music vocabulary to describe performances
- ☐ Evaluate music and musical performances based on specific criteria
- ☐ Express personal preferences and feelings about music respectfully
- ☐ Demonstrate audience etiquette and performance behavior

