

**Cantor Colleague Certificate VOCAL ADJUDICATION– Feedback for Candidate**

**Candidate** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_ **Adjudicator(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

**The standard for passing the vocal adjudication is an overall score of 70%, with no individual score below 6. A description of the scoring levels is provided on page 3.**

**I. PSALMS and SEQUENCE (with accompaniment)** (See Scoring Guidelines on p. 3.)

Standard 1: The candidate will proclaim a chanted psalm and a melodic psalm from the approved list, as well as an Easter, Pentecost, or Corpus Christi Sequence, using musical skills which are appropriate for liturgy (Phrasing/Breath, Tone Quality/Intonation, Diction, Text interpretation)

Standard 2: The candidate will engage the assembly through the use of expressive skills which are appropriate for liturgy (Text interpretation, Stance/Gesture, Eye contact/Facial expression)

<b>PSALM I</b> PHRASING/BREATH Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
TONE QUALITY/INTONATION Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
DICTION Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
TEXT INTERPRETATION (including chant technique as applicable) Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
STANCE & GESTURE Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
EYE CONTACT; ENGAGEMENT Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
OVERALL Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

<b>PSALM II:</b> PHRASING/BREATH Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
TONE QUALITY/INTONATION Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
DICTION Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
TEXT INTERPRETATION (including chant technique as applicable) Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

STANCE & GESTURE Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
EYE CONTACT; ENGAGEMENT Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
OVERALL Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

<b>SEQUENCE:</b> PHRASING/BREATH Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
TONE QUALITY/INTONATION Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
DICTION Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
TEXT INTERPRETATION (including chant technique as applicable) Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
STANCE & GESTURE Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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OVERALL Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

**II. SIGHT SINGING (Responsorial Psalm and Gospel Acclamation, with accompaniment)**

Standard 3: The candidate will sight sing a Responsorial Psalm and a Gospel Acclamation provided at the adjudication. (See Scoring Guidelines on p. 3.)

<b>RESPONSORIAL PSALM:</b> Musical accuracy (Rhythms, intervals, tone, pitch, phrasing, diction); poised demeanor Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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<b>GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:</b> Musical accuracy (Rhythms, intervals, tone, pitch, phrasing, diction); poised demeanor Comments:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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**ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:**

**SCORING GUIDELINES**

9-10 Exceeds Expectations: All aspects perfect or near perfect. (If a minor mistake occurs, the cantor is able to recover seamlessly and continue without any distraction.)

8 Meets Expectations-Accomplished: Accurate with minor mistakes in 1 or 2 areas (For example: A final consonant not pronounced, an incorrect rhythm, a note slightly under pitch, a noticeable breath at an inappropriate place in the music, demeanor does not align with the mood of the psalm, or style is not appropriate for liturgy)

6-7 Meets Expectations-Developing: Not consistently accurate, but music and non-verbals are understandable and assembly is able to follow (For example: Insufficient or excessive gestures/eye contact, Excessive vibrato, Inappropriate melismas or improvisation, multiple errors in diction, phrasing, rhythm, text, or notes)

4-5 Approaching Expectations: More mistakes than accuracy (musical and/or non-verbal). Cantor noticeably reacts to mistakes rather than recovering seamlessly.

2-3 Below Expectations: Frequent, significant mistakes in multiple areas (musical and non-verbal) which directly distract from prayer

0-1 Unable to complete: Candidate was unable to (or declined to) complete this aspect of the adjudication.

**SCORE FOR VOCAL EXAM** \_\_\_\_ (Passing = 70% with **no score below 6**) **PASS FAIL**

**SCORE ON THEORY/STL/GIRM TEST (graded separately)** \_\_\_\_\_ **PASS FAIL**

**SCORE ON LITURGY EXAM (graded separately)** \_\_\_\_\_ **PASS FAIL**

**FINAL RESULT:**

\_\_\_\_ Candidate has achieved certification.

\_\_\_\_ Candidate needs to be offered an opportunity to retake the \_\_\_\_\_ section.