

TO: WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

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SUBJECT: SECTION 1102 (j) ADDITIONAL GROUPS (2)

Section 1102 (j) Additional Groups (2) states that: *At the option of the music director and local school officials, music organizations representing new music programs may enter as non-varsity groups in the conference to which they are assigned until such time that the organization earns a division one rating.*

For the purpose of UIL Music Competition the term *new music programs* will be defined as follows:

(1) A distinctly new program in an established high school. EXAMPLE: The addition of choir to a AAA school that only offered band in the past or the addition of a string program in a AAAAA high school that has previously had band and choir.

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(2) Any music program in a newly opened school.

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(3) A music program that has existed in the past if:

- (a) The performing groups in a one or two year school have not participated in UIL Music Competition for two years or more.
- (b) The performing groups in a three year school have not participated in UIL Music Competition for three years or more.
- (c) The performing groups in a four year school have not participated in UIL Music Competition for four years or more.
- (d) And, there has been a change of personnel in the teaching position responsible for the performing groups.