LISTENING POINTS—VIOLIN

LEVEL I <u>Gavotte</u> - Gossec MM = 112-120 Repeats required.

- 1. Clearly articulated notes in slurs
- 2. Good contrast between non-martelé staccato and legato notes
- 3. Clean string crossings

LEVEL II Minuet in G - Beethoven = 76-88 Trio = 112-126

- 1. Nice musical flow and smooth shifting.
- 2. Clear articulation of dotted-eighth notes with slurs.
- 3. Good contrast between legato and staccato with slur.
- 4. Clean string crossings in Trio.

LEVEL III Bourrée - J. S. Bach MM =72-84 Repeats optional, except for Da Capo.

- 1. Clean string crossings
- 2. Clearly articulated notes in slurs
- 3. Decrescendo, especially at ends of phrases
- 4. Good contrast between major and minor sections, with only a slight tempo relaxation in the minor section

LEVEL IV Concerto in A minor, 1st mvmt - Vivaldi MM = 92- 108

- 1. Clean shifts
- 2. Clean string crossings
- 3. Non-martelé staccato phrase endings
- 4. Balanced notes in two MM sections while bringing out melody notes

LEVEL V Concerto in G minor, 1st mvmt - Vivaldi MM = 76-80

- 1. Excellent intonation
- 2. Good changes in bow speed (BACH- bow speed, arm weight, contact point, hair angle)
- 3. Clean string crossings emphasizing the down beat
- 4. Fast, accurate shifts

LEVEL VI La Folia - Corelli MM =

- 1. Good vibrato
- 2. Good tempo changes between variations
- 3. Very legato, singing theme
- 4. Clean articulation, especially in slurs
- 5. Rhythmic accuracy, especially in the 2nd Adagio and the runs in the 7th and last variation
- 6. Clear, solid tone in chords of last variation
- 7. Excellent intonation in the double stops

LEVEL VII Concerto in A minor. 1st mvmt - J. S. Bach MM =80-92

- 1. Clear articulation of notes
- 2. MM sections: balanced notes while bringing out melody notes
- 3. Good musical flow

LEVEL VIII <u>Concerto in D major, 1st mvmt</u> - Veracini MM = 112 - 144

- 1. Note and rhythmic accuracy
- 2. Good musical flow, especially in the cadenza
- 3. Steady tempo
- 4. Clear, smooth, beautiful tone