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From the MAEIA Community

Teachers' own words are perhaps the greatest testament to the depth of impact MAEIA resources have on their practices.

The comment below comes from Cathy DePentu, a 35-year veteran teacher and MAEIA Leadership Fellow, reflecting on her use of a MAEIA assessment and its effects on student learning.

"Using this assessment has completely changed the way the ensembles listen to their performance recordings (even the 6th graders!) Most side conversations have stopped, and students remain engaged and focused. Their developing ability to evaluate what they hear and create strategies and techniques to self-correct shifts the responsibility from the director ("Fix that!" "Too loud!" You're sharp!") to the students and empowers them to be independent musicians.

-Cathy DePentu, MAEIA Fellow

