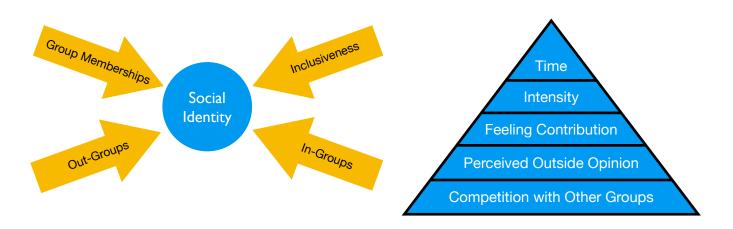
Musical Unity and Social Harmony:

Cultivating Positive Ensemble Identity for Musical Excellence

Social Identity and Group Cohesion



Music and Social Identity

Our students <u>join</u> or <u>become</u> <u>members</u> of our classes	We are vital to the culture of our schools
Music classes are mixed age and have multi-year memberships	The act of making music & a sense of "we"

What can we do?

Words of Caution

- Generate a shared mission
- Engage students in leadership
- Connection to school culture
- Welcome new members
- Peer Coaching
- Make each group/ensemble feel unique
- Sociomusical hierarchy
- Unity not authoritarianism
- Some may not speak out.

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