



Guidelines for Spectator Etiquette

Every student who performs before you this evening has spent countless hours, days and months perfecting their show presentations. Each has worked very hard preparing their show concepts and will now present the results of their hard work to you their audience. It is your responsibility, as a spectator, to give as much attention to each and every school acknowledging the efforts of all these student performers.

They all have given an enormous amount of their time and energies working hard and striving for expense. While they all have different goals and expectations, and will achieve to varying degrees, every student is deserving of positive response and recognition. The job of a spectator is to cheer wildly and enthusiastically, for each and every performance, no matter the size, division or presentation style of their show.

As with any performance or concern, it is improper to enter or leave your seat in the middle of someone's performance. Please wait until the performance is completed, using common courtesy, before leaving the stands. In addition, the time to talk and make any comments is in between performances and certainly not while a band is performing.

Please applaud for ALL performing bands, and not just your own school, which will create an atmosphere of positive sportsmanship. Please do not use any air horns, cow bells or any other noise making device which would interfere with the band performance. While judges are not affected by spectator applause, they could be impacted with any noise interference during a performance.

Now sit back, enjoy some wonderful student performances throughout the entire evening. While there, please support the host school financially by buying a program, some food and supporting the advertisers and sponsors long after the contest. By attending a Cavalcade sponsored contest you are not only supporting local high school students, but also music education.