

Rehearsal Expectations Marching Band

1. **Be silent** when someone is addressing you or the group.

2. **Make eye contact** with the speaker. You will learn more (a proven fact) and he or she will **think** that you are paying attention.

3. In full rehearsal, when the instructor says your section's name, everyone should **raise their hands**. In that way, the instructor knows the group being addressed is listening.

4. **Participate** if asked a question. For example, "How many of you arrived at your set early that time?" Raise your hand. The instructor is trying to assess the situation and needs an honest response.

5. **Speak only at the appropriate times**. Talking keeps you and others from hearing and learning. It is also rude behavior to the instructor (poor etiquette).

6. **Listen carefully to directions** for the next move. Repeating instructions and moves wastes everyone's time.

7. **Move quickly and efficiently** to the position for the next segment.

8. **Think independently**. Do **what** you are supposed to do, **when** you are supposed to do it. Don't wait for everyone else to do something.