

PERFORMANCE INFORMATION AND EXPECTATIONS

The Doane College Band Program performs in a wide variety of settings, from opening convocation to commencement, from formal concerts to athletic events. A performance by the Doane Band extends beyond merely playing the music. At concerts, the organization sets the tone for the performance. Your professionalism is visible to everyone.

Generally, we have a warm-up/touch-up rehearsal 90 minutes before a concert. You are to be in the building 30 minutes before the concert to meet in the band room 20 minutes before the concert for a short concert preparation time. Your performance begins when you enter the stage; act professionally, sit down, check your music, your instrument, and accessories (mutes, sticks, mallets, reeds). Warm up on your own until the concert master stands and asks you to stop playing.

At athletic events, our performance responsibility extends beyond the realm of half-time and pre-game entertainment as well. We are a vital force in the spirit and atmosphere of a football game. Therefore, it is necessary for us to play our best while we are in the stands. Plan to stay in the band area. Do not go to the concession area unless absolutely necessary. Do not “visit” with friends and relatives who will be sitting in other areas of the stadium.

Careful attention to all aspects of our performance will increase pride and spirit. It will also be noticed by the hundreds of people who attend our performances. Remember, our performance begins when we assemble and continues until you are dismissed after the game or after the concert performance.

Attendance at all band performances is mandatory!