CONCERT ETIQUETTE

Please read and discuss this etiquette guide with your class.

Before leaving school:
* use the restrooms
* leave food and books
* wear a coat or jacket

On the way to the concert:
* chat with your friends
* listen to instructions
* look for Century II

Entering Century II:
* follow the usher’s instructions
* look for the color path to follow
* stay with your group
* listen to your leader
* look at the art exhibit in the lobby

Finding your seat:
* chat with your friends, more quietly now
* treat the Concert Hall with care

Waiting for the concert to begin:
* observe the stage where the orchestra sits
* find the four families of instruments
* watch the musicians take their places
* listen to the musician’s warm-up
* watch for the concertmaster to enter when the lights dim
* do not leave the Concert Hall unless there is an emergency
* get very quiet!

Waiting for the conductor:
* sit quietly
* watch the left side of the stage
* applaud when the conductor appears
Listening to the concert:
* sit quietly; do not rock or kick the chairs
* watch the conductor
* look for instruments you know
* listen for familiar music
* enjoy the beautiful music of the Wichita Symphony

Between pieces:
* clap to show the musicians your enjoyment
* HINT: clap when the conductor brings down his arms and turns to face the audience

After the concert:
* listen for instructions to return to your bus
* leave the Concert Hall quietly
* write to the musicians of the Wichita Symphony about the concert