

## Parade Guidelines 2023 Homecoming Parade

The 2023 Homecoming Parade Application is due on Friday, April 17th at 3:00 PM.

The following rules and guidelines are to be met by all entrants in the 2023 Homecoming Parade. Any violation of these guidelines will result in forfeiture of participation in the parade in the future.

Questions may be directed to the Office of Student Affairs at: [osa@andrewcollege.edu](mailto:osa@andrewcollege.edu)

### General Parade Guidelines:

1. An application is required for every parade participant.

There are four entry classes, and they are defined as follows:

- Class 1 - Traditional float entries: All participants must provide their own pulling mechanism and transportation, if applicable. The pulling mechanism must consist of a maximum of one motorized vehicle. A maximum of 20 people may be present on or around the float entry.
  - Class 2 - Walking and non-motorized entries: These entries may consist of a maximum of 30 people on foot, person-powered, or animal powered vehicles (ex. bicycles, big wheels, or horse & carriage).
  - Class 3 - Motorized vehicles without floats (ex. cars or tractors): The number of vehicles included in this entry space will be dependent on the size of the vehicles. In such entries, there must be an interval between vehicles that is equal to the vehicle length. For example, a vehicle 6 feet in length must have a gap of 6 feet between that and other vehicles in the entry. If the vehicles are of varying sizes, the space between vehicles must be equivalent to the length of the large vehicle in the entry.
  - Class 4 - Novelty unity entries (ex. military equipment, fire equipment, antique vehicles) - those that do not fit into any of the above three categories. These entries will be considered unique and will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the Homecoming Council. All decisions made by the Homecoming Council are final.
2. No alcoholic beverages or illegal substances will be allowed on or near the entries prior to or during the parade. If alcoholic beverages and or illegal substances or their containers are found, or the person operating any type of vehicle is suspected of having consumed alcohol, the entry will be pulled from the parade. Police assistant will be used if necessary.
  3. Entries may not display advertisements for alcohol or tobacco (ex. banners, logos, etc.) on their float. Also, elected officials may participate in the parade. Candidates who are **NOT** already elected may not participate in the parade.
  4. All entries with motorized vehicles must carry a minimum 2A10B, 5-lb fire extinguisher. It must be shown upon request to parade personnel prior to and or during the parade in addition entries must yield the right of way to all.
  5. All entries that include children ages 12 and under will be required to have a ratio of one adult for every 10 children.

6. Proceed to your assigned location in the parade staging area no later than 9:00 AM so that the lineup can be positioned properly. The parade will begin at exactly 10:00 AM, and the flow of entries will proceed according to the parade route and staging area maps.
7. Do not bring extraneous vehicles into the staging area. Additional vehicles will delay the start of the parade and will be towed at the owner's expense. If someone in your party is differently abled and/or needs special transportation around the staging area, please email the Office of Student Affairs at: [osa@andrewcollege.edu](mailto:osa@andrewcollege.edu)
8. At the end of the parade route, please be considerate of those behind you and clear the area quickly. Explicitly follow the directions provided.
9. Any participants who wish to have animals in their entry must indicate so on the attached application. Entrants are responsible for the cleaning and disposal of any waste produced by animals they bring to the parade. Though animals may be present, they may not leave the transportation vehicle.
10. If, for any reason, the parade needs to be called off (ex. extreme weather or otherwise), the Homecoming Advisor and Parade Directors will make that decision.