

Information for Participants

SATURDAY DECEMBER 8, 2018, 1:00 PM



PARADE TIMELINE

- November 19** Parade packets will be mailed to all accepted entries. This packet will include vehicle passes, parking information and other pertinent details for the event.
- December 8**
- 10 am-12 pm** A representative of each accepted entry is required to sign in at the parade entry point. Line-up numbers will be distributed at this time.
 - 12 pm** All vehicles must be in place within the staging area.
 - 12:30 pm** All participants must be on site and lined up.
 - 1 pm** Parade begins.

PARADE ROUTE

The parade will begin at the intersection of Elm Avenue and South White Street, continue north on South White Street, turn right at East Wait Avenue, then right again on Brooks Street, followed by a left on Elm Avenue. The Parade will end at the intersection of Elm Avenue and Taylor Street. **Please note that this is a change from past years!** Detailed directions for unloading and exiting the parade area will be provided in each parade packet.

PARADE RULES

Please review these rules and communicate them to everyone in your group. Failure to comply with these rules and/or instructions from parade officials could result in removal from the parade line-up this year and future years. Thank you for your understanding and compliance.

- **THERE IS ONLY ONE SANTA ALLOWED IN THE PARADE**, provided by Wake Forest Downtown, Inc.
- All hands and feet must be kept inside vehicles and floats at all times and everyone must remain seated. Floats must come to a complete stop before participants disembark. Absolutely no one may jump from a float while it is in motion.
- Do not leave the parade line-up until the parade ends.
- The maximum number of riders on any float is 20 (total number of adults and children).
- Adult supervision for all children under the age of 14 is required at all times in the staging area and during the parade, in addition to the driver of the vehicle.
- Be conscious of participant vehicles while in the parade line-up. Parade volunteers coordinate this event and are not responsible for children.
- **CANDY MAY NOT BE THROWN TO THE PUBLIC AT ANY TIME.** Such action can harm those watching the parade and provides an unnecessary danger to children who can be run over by parade vehicles while trying to collect candy. Candy and promotional material may be handed out to the crowd by your representatives walking alongside of your entry.
- Loud noises such as sirens and motorcycle revving are discouraged since these can frighten children.
- We request that all teams, troops and tribes please wear their uniforms or matching attire and carry a sign or banner that identifies the group.
- **FESTIVE ATTIRE IS REQUIRED** for all parade participants including parents and chaperones.
- In order to prevent gaps in the parade, participants must continue moving forward and are not permitted to stop and perform.
- The Wake Forest Christmas Parade is a rain or shine event. Please ensure your organization has appropriate weather related provisions.
- Homemade floats are especially encouraged and appreciated by spectators.
- The maximum height for floats is 12 feet (as measured from the ground, not the deck of the float). Taller floats risk becoming entangled with utility lines crossing the parade route.
- Any vehicle driven in the parade must have insurance that complies with the laws of the State of North Carolina.
- Anyone operating a motor vehicle in the parade must have a valid driver's license.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP IN MAKING THIS A GREAT COMMUNITY EVENT!

For more information call 919-435-9416 or email lbeadle@wakeforestnc.gov.