

**West Virginia State University
Homecoming Parade Day
Rules & Regulations**

1. Participants should arrive at Shawnee Park **no later than 9:00 a.m.**
2. The parade will **begin at 10:30 a.m. sharp.**
3. **Check in** will be at the park entrance.
4. **If you need to line up with another unit, please be sure to list that unit on your application. If you will be riding in a vehicle with another unit, please list that unit on your application.**
5. **Drivers (of buses and other pertinent vehicles)**, after dropping off participants, may park at the end of the parade route.
6. Units **may perform** as they are marching. A unit **may not stop** to perform unless the entire parade has otherwise stopped.
7. **Safety of our parade participants and crowd** is of utmost concern. Each parade participating group must be responsible not only for their own safety, but also for the safety of the public audience around them. **Vehicle drivers are solely responsible** for the safe operation of their vehicle. Participants must obey uniformed police officers at all times.
8. **No alcoholic beverages or illegal substances** of any kind will be allowed in the staging area, in any vehicle, on any float or on the person of any parade participant.
9. Parade groups with horse or animals of any kind **must each provide people** to perform **immediate “pooper scooper” duties.**
10. Your **group may not** in any way **solicit funds** from the parade audience.
11. There must be at least **1 adult for every 10 children under 12 years old.** There must be at least **1 adult for every 20 children between the ages of 13 & 17.**
12. All float materials **must be flame retardant.**
13. All **wiring must be** properly secured to prevent mechanical damage and injury to float riders.
14. Windshields of vehicles **must not be totally covered** to obscure the vision of the driver.
15. **Failure**, by any participant or parents of participants, **to obey any police officer or parade official** will be cause for an entry to be removed from the parade.
16. **Please** write down all comments about your parade experience, good or bad, on the Participant Survey.