



## 2019 SHERWOOD CHRISTMAS PARADE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Please refer to the following FAQ's for pertinent information regarding the parade. If you have additional questions, please contact Julie Tharp by email [sherwoodparade@sherwoodparks.com](mailto:sherwoodparade@sherwoodparks.com) or by phone 835-9599.

1. The 2019 City of Sherwood Christmas parade will be held on Sat., Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. The parade route will be entirely on Kiehl Avenue. It will begin at Lantrip and Kiehl. It will end at Oakbrooke and Kiehl.
2. All parade entries should follow the theme: ***Christmas Movie Memories***
3. The line-up area will be entirely on Lantrip. Access to Lantrip southbound will only be allowed until 12:30 p.m. for vehicles. After 12:30 p.m., vehicles should enter from Warden Road.  
**ONLY AUTHORIZED VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED IN LINE-UP AREA.**
4. The parade staff will determine the position of entries. Line-up numbers will be issued on Mon., Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>. They will be emailed to each entry contact person. Please communicate this number to members of your group. If you are in the area of Lantrip on Friday, you may want to drive by and locate the number, which will be a white card on a stick beside the road. Under no circumstances shall any participant, unit or entry move to a different position within the parade line-up, before or during the parade, except under the direction of the Parade Coordinator.
5. **JUDGING OF PARADE ENTRIES WILL BE ONLY AT THE LINE-UP AREA.** Dance groups wishing to be judged **MUST** be in place by 1 p.m. and floats will need to be in place by 1:15 p.m. The categories to be judged will be: bands; dance/cheer/spirit group; non-profit; commercial; church; school; and Mayor's Award. We will award first and second places in all the categories, with the exception of the Mayor's Award, where there will only be one winner. All dance routines must be 45 seconds or less in length.
6. Your group may throw candy. **Please** throw it clear of road way for safety reasons. Your group will need to provide the candy. Please do not allow anyone to get on or off a float or entry once it has started down the parade route. Please wait to throw candy until your entry is on Kiehl Ave, please **DO NOT** throw candy while on Lantrip.
7. All drivers must remain in their vehicle for the duration of the parade. Drivers will need to be aware of entries in front of them and watch for spacing.
8. Please do not allow parade participants to ride on float to the line-up area. Please do not dangle legs over the edges of the float.
9. There must be a responsible adult on all floats with children.
10. Proper unit spacing and parade pace is critical, however groups who perform may do so when parade passes the review stand at Sherwood City Hall. Performances must be 45 seconds or less. If the parade is stopped, **AND** it will not create a gap in parade, you may also perform at that time. We would like the parade to last only one hour.

11. **THE SANTA CLAUSE:** There is only one Santa and he rides at the end of the parade. It is confusing to small children to see more than one Santa and Mrs. Claus riding on floats; therefore no one may dress as Santa on your float or in your vehicle.
12. **NO TOBACCO OR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON ANY PARADE ENTRY AT ANY TIME BEFORE OR DURING THE PARADE!**
13. No parade participant will be allowed to have a firearm at any time. Exceptions will be for law enforcement officers.
14. There will be a reception for all parade participants at the Sherwood Senior Citizen Center behind City Hall with cookies and hot chocolate following the parade. Trophies will be passed out at that time. Santa will be available to parade participants for pictures during this reception.
15. The rain date is Sun., Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>. We will make all rain decisions by 10 a.m. If we are unable to have the parade on Saturday, there will be a message on the parade line, 501-835-9599.
16. Entries must observe all applicable rules and regulations. The parade staff reserves the right to remove any entrant from the parade either prior to staging, during staging, or any time during the parade.

**Thank you very much for entering the Sherwood Christmas Parade.**

If you need more information or have any questions, please call the parade line at 835-9599 or email at [sherwoodparade@sherwoodparks.com](mailto:sherwoodparade@sherwoodparks.com). Thank you.

**HAVE FUN AND BE SAFE!**