



PARADE INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

PARADE PARTICIPATION:

When will I receive our location to report to in the parade lineup? **March 9th**

What time is my group required to all be in our assigned lineup spot? **No later than 9AM**

Where should I park? **Parking will be available along the side streets of Devine Street and at Dreher High School**

What is the approximate total walking distance? **A little over one mile – it starts at Devine & Sims – from there to the Chick-Fil-A on Harden is 1.3 miles.**

Are pets permitted? **Pets that are on a leash are permitted during the parade. No pets are allowed in the festival following the parade.**

Does participating in the parade get me entry into the festival? **No. Every patron inside festival gates must have the festival entry wristband on. Entry wristbands are given once ticket is scanned, or wristband is bought at the gates.**

Am I required to dress up to participate? **We encourage everyone to get in the Green & Gaelic spirit, but it is not a requirement, just fun!**

Is there a limit on how many participants in a group? **For safety reasons, we ask our participants to keep your group size manageable.**

Where should we tell family/friends to view the parade? **Viewers are encouraged to get a spot within the festival. Prior to the parade, the Budweiser Clydesdales will be making their way through the streets of Five Points! (The Clydesdales will not be IN the parade – they will walk the streets of Five Points before the parade arrives.)**

PARADE START:

Where does the parade start? **Devine & Sims**

What time does parade begin? **10:00am**

What route does the parade travel? **The parade route is noted on the festival map which can be found on the website: www.stpatscolumbia.com.**

- Start – Devine & Sims
- Enter festival at Devine Street Gate
- Continue down Devine crossing Harden Street
- Make a right on Saluda Avenue at Devine & Saluda
- Follow Saluda to Greene Street – make a right after the main fountain
- At Greene & Harden make a left and continue up Harden exiting Harden Street Gate

How long does the parade typically last? **From start to finish – 30 minutes to an hour**

PARADE END:

How do I get back to my vehicle at the end of the parade? **We suggest making prior arrangements as we do not have shuttles back to the start of the parade.**

Where does the parade finish? **The parade ends exiting the Harden Street Gate near Chick-Fil-A.**

I am not walking the parade with my child, but they are participating. Where do I pick them up? **The parade ends exiting the Harden Street Gate near Chick-Fil-A. Side streets near pick up offer parking, but space is limited. Parking is not permitted in the Food Lion parking lot.**

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