

Rules and Regulations for Community Float Entries

Homecoming 2019

Community Judged Float Awards

- 1st Place: Mayors Award \$250
- Best use of theme award: \$175

General Information: All Floats-

1. Candy may not be thrown from any vehicle or float. Walkers must accompany these entries and hand candy to those on the parade route. The university is not liable for injuries that occur from candy being thrown at the crowds.
2. Entries must complete the entire parade route. Groups causing undue delays or gaps will be asked not to participate in future years.
3. Line-up begins at 9AM. Please bring your campus map, parking map, parade number and other materials. For your safety, please follow the instructions of all marshals or you may be asked to leave the parade.
4. All entries are restricted from displaying or distributing any information with regards to alcohol, tobacco or other drugs (including "Happy Hour" or "specials" information) as well as any display of alcoholic beverage company logos. Edinboro University of PA does not support alcohol use among student or community members throughout the parade.
5. The parade coordinators, campus police, and homecoming committee have the right to refuse any parade entries that are in direct conflict with the university mission, values and vision.
6. All entries are required to clearly identify their units by signs or banners. (Inclusive of theme and organizations that constructed the float)
7. Any entry may be removed from the parade and competition if, in the opinion of parade officials, the entry is operated in a hazardous manner or because of the misbehavior of individuals or animals associated with the entry. Entries will be removed immediately if the presence of alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs is detected.
8. The consumption of alcoholic beverages or use of any illegal substances by participants prior to and during the parade is strictly prohibited. The parade is an Edinboro University sponsored function/activity. EU's alcohol policy does apply to all individuals in the parade.
9. Parade route and parade line-up will be established and announced by the parade committee.
10. Order of floats in parade will be established by the Homecoming committee.
11. All float decorations must be made of flame resistant/retardant materials to prevent the accidental ignition and fire spread over the material.
12. **All floats must have a type ABC fire extinguisher in the power unit.**
13. Paper Mache is allowed. Pre-fabricated construction floats are permitted for competition. Items may be used but no more than ¼ of the float.
14. Use of open flames are prohibited.
15. All floats must be parked in Hendricks Lot by 9 a.m. on Saturday, October 12th 2019 for judging. The parade line-up will be at 9:00am and the parade will start promptly on October 12th at 11:00am.

16. No alcohol may be in the possession of any participants of the parade. Participants may not show any sign of alcohol consumption. All participants riding on open floats shall have a solid sitting arrangement. If participants are standing while riding on the float. A railing must be built around the areas where the participants are standing. No person shall be wired or tied to the float. Secured safety rails, barriers, or ropes may be used to prevent a fall from the float. No riders may be located where they might fall beneath the float, its wheels or between tow vehicle and float (e.g. no seating on rear edge of tow vehicle or on front edge of float). If present, children must be under adult supervision and seated at all times when in motion. Riders are to remain on float once the parade begins and at all time when the float is in motion.
17. All university regulations apply regarding smoking, fire arms, weapons, drugs, etc. for floats.
18. Every float must be capable of maintaining a speed of 10m.p.h.
19. Every float must be capable of completing a U-turn (180 degrees) within 50 feet.
20. Every driver must have sufficient front-side vision to enable him/her to maneuver safely.
21. Every driver must be of legal age (16) regardless of the tow vehicle (car, truck, tractor, etc), and must be licensed/ carry insurance for the tow vehicle used.
22. All drivers will be breathalyzed and must be a 0.0 to drive in the parade regardless of age.
23. Power units must have at least $\frac{3}{4}$ tank of gas at parade starting time
24. All exhaust pipes must extend to the outside of the float.
25. No float may be detached from the power unit or left without an available driver, once at the staging area. .
26. Floats that do not adhere to these regulations will be subject to point deductions or possible ineligibility.
27. The homecoming committee has the authority to make necessary changes to the number of participants riding on a float if they deem it to be unsafe.

Judging Criteria-

1. Use of recycled items is highly encouraged. Points will be awarded to floats that are environmentally friendly
2. Creativity
3. Attractiveness of float
4. Incorporation of parade theme
5. Incorporation of represented group, club, office, etc. identity. Participation of organizational members in and around float