

Rules and Regulations for Float Entries

Awards

Top two large floats

1st Place: Presidents Award \$350

2nd Place: Queens Award \$250

Best use of theme award: \$100

Top two small floats

1st Place: VP Award \$200

2nd Place: SGA award \$125

Best use of theme award: \$100

Themed Walking Units

1st Place: King Award \$200

Best use of theme award: \$100

Community Floats

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 8th 2016 for judging. The parade line-up will be at 9:00am and the parade will start promptly on October 8th 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 ¾ 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.

University Floats-

1. All floats being constructed by university must be done solely by students enrolled at Edinboro University.
2. Alumni are not permitted to help in the building of the float – assistance from alumni or non-EUP students will result in point loss or disqualification of the float.
3. Float productions are meant to be amateur productions. Total costs should be held at a minimum. It is the responsibility of the faculty advisors or float chairperson to keep expenditure for float at the lowest possible costs. The homecoming committee will give \$700 to each float for each large float and allowing 3 organizations to build 1 float. (10 max) The homecoming committee will give \$400 for small floats allowing 2 organizations to build 1 float. (10 max) The homecoming committee will give \$100 for each walking unit allowing 2 organizations to going as a walking unit. No organization(s) may use the same theme two (2) consecutive years in a row.
4. Groups wishing to receive money for the walking division must have an activity, costumes or fit the theme in some way to receive the funding. Simply putting on your groups t-shirt or uniform and walking in the parade will not qualify you for the \$100.
5. All university sponsored float drivers will be required to take a breathalyzer prior to the parade and must have a driver's license and proof of insurance for the vehicle used.
6. All University large floats will be put on display at the stadium following the parade and must be removed from Sox Harrison stadium by Monday, October 10th, 2016 by 4:30PM.
7. University floats can dispose of float materials in the university dumpster. For proper float disposal: See the attached map.

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

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There are two float divisions, large and small and one walking division. Large floats are created on flatbeds and pulled behind trucks. Small float divisions are created by using a car, truck or SUV, without a pull behind unit.

Large Float Division:

1. Floats should not exceed 16 feet in length, but cannot exceed 25 feet in length
2. Floats should not exceed 8 feet in width, but cannot exceed 10 feet in width
3. No float shall exceed 13 feet in height from the road (due to electrical wires). Only moveable/collapsible parts may exceed 13 feet as long as they can be retracted to meet the 13 feet maximum.
4. Maximum number of units per float – one (1) power unit, plus two(2) units being pulled behind.

Small Float Division:

1. Small floats are made exclusively using a standard automobile (car or truck). No pull-behind carts are permitted.
2. Float adornments should not exceed 4 feet in past the hood or trunk/bed of the automobile. .
3. Float adornments should not exceed 2 feet past the sides of the automobile.

Walking Unit Division (Judged):

1. Must be at the staging area by 10am.
2. Must have a banner indicating what group they are.
3. Must have costumes or an activity that fits the theme.