

VILLAGE OF OAK LAWN FOURTH OF JULY PARADE

The Village of Oak Lawn Arts & Events Commission invites you to participate in our annual Fourth of July Parade on Saturday, June 29, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. We welcome floats, decorated vehicles, walkers, bikes, and anything that provides music and entertainment to the hundreds of people who line the parade route. The parade is televised and is shown on our cable access channel many times throughout the summer months. Submit your application today!

PARADE DETAILS/INFORMATION INCLUDING YOUR UNIT NUMBER, ASSIGNED ARRIVAL TIME, DROP OFF LOCATION & STAGING GUIDELINES WILL BE SENT VIA EMAIL .

PARADE GUIDELINES

- ★ Participation is restricted to entries that include no less than ten (10) people and/or at least one vehicle.
- ★ A maximum of TWO decorated vehicles per group will be allowed.
- ★ Parade placement is based upon space, number of participants, and entertainment.
- ★ Parking is available at the Village Hall lot at 9446 Raymond Avenue; shuttle service will be provided.
- ★ Please specify *other* vehicle types on your application such as bus, float, trailer, etc.
- ★ Parade line up spaces are limited to the number of vehicles and description specified on your application.
- ★ All entries must be decorated to participate in the parade (i.e., decorated banners, streamers, balloons, stars, red/white/blue decorations, and so on). Novelty units are the **ONLY** exception to this rule.
- ★ No use of water pistols or water guns of any kind can be used during the parade.
- ★ Candy must be HANDED to parade spectators. Please share this rule with all your participants.
- ★ Information (bullet points) on your entry must be included in the application for our announcers.
- ★ Only parade entries will be allowed in staging. There is no other available parking at the staging area.
- ★ There will be a maximum of 75 parade entries. No applications will be accepted once the parade is full.

PARADE ROUTE

The parade route is approximately 1 mile in length. Staging is at 94th & Cicero Avenue (Northwestern College campus). The parade route starts at 95th St. & 49th Ave and proceeds west to 95th St. and 55th Ct.

If you have any parade questions, please email events@oaklawn-il.gov or call (708) 499-7837.

ROAD CLOSURES AND PARKING

95th Street (from Cicero Ave to Central Ave) will be closed to ALL vehicle traffic (including parade entries) starting at approximately 2:00 p.m. Village parking lot and commuter lots including our Patriot Station parking tower will remain fully accessible.

VILLAGE OF OAK LAWN PARADE APPLICATION

Please complete all sections of the Parade Application.
Incomplete Parade Applications will be returned.

Group/Organization Name _____

Contact Person _____ Cell Phone _____

Street Address/City/Zip: _____

Email Address *(must be provided)* _____

1. PARADE GROUP/ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Please select ONE category that best describes your group/organization.

<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Profit/Community Service Club/Church Group	<input type="checkbox"/> Neighborhood Group
<input type="checkbox"/> Youth Group/Youth Sports	<input type="checkbox"/> School Band
<input type="checkbox"/> Political Candidate/Elected Official	<input type="checkbox"/> Musical/Variety/Novelty
<input type="checkbox"/> Business/Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

2. Please provide general bullet points of your group/organization for our parade announcers.

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3. PARADE VEHICLE INFORMATION

Please select ONE category that best describes your vehicle:

- Float Number of Participants Walking with Float:
 Marching/Walking Unit Number of Participants Marching/Walking:
 Decorated Vehicle Number of Participants Walking with Vehicle:
 Antique Car Number of Participants Walking with Car:
 Other Please Describe:

REMINDER: Due to parade staging we require specific vehicle types in order to space properly.

4. DOES YOUR PARADE ENTRY INCLUDE MUSIC?

Yes No

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT _____ DATE _____

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORMS VIA EMAIL TO EVENTS@OAKLAWN-IL.GOV OR MAIL
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