

***IMPORTANT  
NOTICE***

***ANHEUSER-BUSCH***

***ROUTE AND***

***STAGING AREA***

***CHANGES PLANNED***

***FOR 2017***

***\*DETAILS TO BE UNVEILED SOON -  
THE WBCA PARADE COMMITTEE APPRECIATES  
YOUR PATIENCE DURING THIS PROCESS.***

***DUE TO THESE CHANGES:***

***ABSOLUTELY***

***NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED!!!***

- ENCLOSED IS THE **ANHEUSER-BUSCH WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY PARADE** ENTRY FORM, PLEASE DISTRIBUTE IT TO THE INDIVIDUAL(S) WHO WILL BE IN CHARGE OF COORDINATING ENTRIES IN OUR PARADE. PLEASE MAKE ADDITIONAL COPIES IF NECESSARY.
  
- IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO SUBMIT THIS ENTRY FORM, FEES, LIABILITY FORM ON OR BEFORE THE DEADLINE OF **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2016.**
  
- EACH ENTRY IS LIMITED TO A 40' BY 20' FOOT PRINT. PLEASE CONTACT OFFICE IF YOUR ENTRY EXCEEDS THIS AMOUNT.
  
- A **MANDATORY** ORIENTATION MEETING WILL BE HELD ON **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2017 AT 6 PM AT THE LAREDO CIVIC CENTER MEETING ROOMS 1,2 & 3.** PARADE ENTRY NUMBERS, MAPS, AND INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE ISSUED AT THIS MEETING. THE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION PARADE COMMITTEE WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS ABOUT YOUR ENTRY. A **SECOND MANDATORY MEETING** WILL BE HELD AT THE SAME LOCATION AT **(DATE TBD)** TO DISCUSS CHANGES TO STAGING AREAS AND NEW ROUTE.
  
- THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO WILL WALK WITH AN ENTRY MUST BE 18 YEARS OR OLDER AND MUST COMPLETE A PARTICIPANT'S RELEASE FORM. THEY MUST ALSO HAVE A WBCA ISSUED BRACELET TO BE ALLOWED ON THE ROUTE.
  
- CITATIONS WILL BE GIVEN ALONG THE ROUTE TO THOSE ENTRIES WHO DO NOT FOLLOW THE RULES AND GUIDELINES. THOSE CITED RISK NOT BEING CONSIDERED FOR PARADE JUDGING. CITED ENTRIES ALSO RISK PLACEMENT AND INCLUSION IN SUBSEQUENT PARADES.

***\*NO REMINDERS WILL BE MAILED***

Dear Friends,

The Washington's Birthday Celebration Parade Committee invites you and your organization to submit an entry form for the Anheuser-Busch Washington's Birthday Parade scheduled for **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2017 at 9:00 A.M.**

**Parade Theme: Embracing Traditions**

Description: WBCA emphasizes the importance of tradition and patriotism by highlighting celebrations from throughout the country with this year's parade theme: Embracing Traditions. Float entries and parade units can find inspiration in the customs and traditions of the many faces of America from various parts of the globe. Celebrate the most culturally diverse country in the world like only Laredo, Texas can. Show your patriotism and love of our Country. Use this opportunity to teach our children about America's rich history and showcase all the traditions that America holds dear- from cultural dances, to the customs and traditions of our forefathers, to our unique patriotic pride. Be creative and colorful and show off all those diverse customs and traditions that make America beautiful.

**Enclosed please find:**

- |                                 |           | <b><u>DEADLINES</u></b>          |
|---------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Parade Entry Form and Script | Return by | Thursday, December 1, 2016       |
| 2. Rules and Guidelines         |           | Retain for your records & review |
| 3. Release of Liability Form    | Return by | Thursday, December 1, 2016       |
| 4. Participant Release Forms    | Return by | Wednesday, January 4, 2017       |

Please submit a script that is only one paragraph in length to be read by the emcee. **Failure to submit script by application deadline will result in only entry name being read.** Please email your parade scripts to: [parades@wbcalaredo.org](mailto:parades@wbcalaredo.org). **Your parade script will only be accepted on CD or via email.** Schools that have more than one entry will be arranged in the parade line up according to your principal's instructions. A line up request is included in this packet. This line-up order request does not guarantee parade entries that do not submit individual parade applications, entry forms, participant release forms, and fees for each.

An entry fee is required from each unit payable upon submission of the entry form. The entry fee is \$20.00 for each non-profit or tax-exempt organization and \$250.00 for commercial entries. **ALL Floats and any Vehicles with a generator or electrical invertors must pay an additional \$20.00 fee for the City of Laredo Fire Department Permit for each parade. There are no refunds for canceling your parade entry. (NO CASH WILL BE ACCEPTED).**

Entry in the Anheuser-Busch Washington's Birthday Parade is by invitation only. WBCA reserves the right to reject any applications. Due to the growth of our school population and parade time restraints, the Anheuser-Busch Washington's Birthday Parade Committee must now limit the number of entries from each of the categories below to the following:

- |                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| High Schools       | 4 Entries Each  |
| Middle Schools     | 2 Entries Each ( <b><u>FLOATS ONLY, no marching Units</u></b> ) |
| Elementary Schools | 2 Entries Each ( <b><u>FLOATS ONLY, no marching Units</u></b> ) |
| Organizations      | 2 Entries Each  |

Please refer to your Rules and Guidelines For Parade Participants and the attached list of "Do's" for questions & instructions. **WBCA absolutely will not allow throwing of any items from any floats or moving vehicles. You may have adult walkers "hand" pre-approved items to people along the route. Any entry breaking this rule will be disqualified and will not be eligible for judging.** Participants planning to use horses as part of their entry should note Laredo is a fever tick quarantine area and participants must provide proper cleanup. **\*Please refer to page 10 of this packet to find additional requirements for Equestrian Entries.**

We look forward to you being part of the Anheuser-Busch Washington's Birthday Parade. Should you require additional information, please call the WBCA office at (956) 722-0589.

Sincerely,  
WBCA

**ANHEUSER-BUSCH**  
**WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY PARADE**  
*SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2017*  
9:00 A.M.

**PARADE ENTRY FORM**  
**DEADLINE: Thursday, December 1, 2016**  
**(ONE ENTRY FORM PER UNIT)**

OFFICE USE ONLY	
Date Rec'd:	_____
CK/MO#:	_____
Amount: \$	_____
Late Fee:	\$150.00
Line-up Form:	_____
Participant Release Forms	_____

*\*If organization will be entering more than one unit, organization must fill out one application per unit. Director/School Principal must fill out and submit page 10.*

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor(s) of Entry: \_\_\_\_\_

School/Organization Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor's Telephone: Day ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Entry: (mark only one)

Float     Band     Marching Unit     Equestrian     Other (*Describe*) \_\_\_\_\_

Your entry's title/theme: \_\_\_\_\_

Total # of persons participating: \_\_\_\_\_ Age group of participants: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number & type of animals (horses, etc.) participating: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME of Supervisor(s) of Entry the DAY of the Parade: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Entry fee-per unit: (check or money order)

Non-Profit/Tax Exempt \$20.00       Commercial Entry \$250.00       Late Fee \$150.00

Fire Department Fee \$20.00 (Required for **ALL FLOATS** and **ANY VEHICLE** with Generator or Electrical Invertor)

PLEASE MAIL OR DELIVER APPLICATIONS TO:

Washington's Birthday Celebration Association  
1819 East Hillside Road  
Laredo, Texas 78041

Office Hours 8:30 AM – 5:30 PM (Monday – Friday)

Office: (956) 722-0589 Fax: (956) 722-5528

Email: [parades@wbcalaredo.org](mailto:parades@wbcalaredo.org)    Web Site Address: [www.wbcalaredo.org](http://www.wbcalaredo.org)

**Please check box below:**

I have received, read and agree to comply with all the regulations listed under the Rules and Guidelines (pg.6-8) that governs our participation in the Anheuser-Busch Washington's Birthday Parade. My entry will NOT exceed a 40' by 20' footprint. I understand that violation of these rules will forfeit our participation. I understand that the submittal of this application does not guarantee the applicant's acceptance in the parade. If selected, the undersigned agrees to participate in the Anheuser-Busch Washington's Birthday Parade.

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINT NAME TITLE

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE

**ANHEUSER-BUSCH**  
**WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY PARADE**  
*SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2017*  
*9:00 A.M.*

**RELEASE OF LIABILITY**  
**APPLICANT'S FORM**

(One release per unit)

**DEADLINE: Thursday, December 1, 2016**

PARADE APPLICATION WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED BY THE WBCA WITHOUT THIS FORM.

Whereas \_\_\_\_\_  
(Organization Name)

has requested an entry in the Anheuser-Busch Washington's Birthday Parade scheduled for **Saturday, February 18, 2017 at 9:00 A.M.** and has had its application approved by the Washington's Birthday Celebration Association under the rules and guidelines of the parade supplied by the WBCA with the application,

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Organization Name)

agrees to release and to hold harmless the WBCA, Anheuser-Busch, Co., all sponsors and suppliers of the event, and their respective directors, officers, employees, agents, successors and assigns, from any and all claims, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses, including attorney's fees, arising from participation in the Anheuser-Busch Washington's Birthday Parade, including without limitation any personal injuries (or damage to personal property) which may be incurred as a result of participation in the Anheuser-Busch Washington's Birthday Parade. Further, in consideration of participation, we further agree to grant to the WBCA and Anheuser-Busch, Co., the right to record, broadcast, and otherwise exploit in any and all media throughout the world, our performance in the Anheuser-Busch Washington's Birthday Parade and to use our name, likeness, voice and biographical information in connection therewith.

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINT NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
TITLE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE

**ANHEUSER-BUSCH**  
**WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY PARADE**  
*SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2017*  
*9:00 A.M.*

**PARTICIPANT'S RELEASE FORM**

*(One per each participant in your unit)*

**DEADLINE: Wednesday, January 4, 2017**

Organization/School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Individuals not furnishing a copy of this Release Form to the WBCA office by Wednesday, January 4, 2017, WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE.

I \_\_\_\_\_ (PRINT NAME) in consideration of my participation in a parade known as the Anheuser-Busch Washington's Birthday Parade, hereby grant to the Washington's Birthday Celebration Association, Inc. (WBCA) and Anheuser-Busch, Co., the right to record, broadcast and otherwise exploit in any and all media throughout the world my performance in the event and to use my name, likeness, voice and biographical information concerning me in connection therewith.

I assume all risks associated with my participation in the parade and hereby release and hold harmless the WBCA, the sponsors of and suppliers to the parade, and their respective directors, officers, employees, agents, successors and assigns, from and against any and all claims, damages, liabilities, costs, and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of my participation in the parade, including without limitation any personal injuries [or damage to my property] which I may incur as a result of participation in the parade. I warrant that I am of legal age and that I have read and fully understand the foregoing terms. (If not, parent or guardian must sign.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINT NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS                      CITY    ST                      ZIP

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

***Parent or Guardian's Guarantee***

I represent and warrant that I am the parent or legal guardian of the participant named above, that I am of legal age and that I have read and fully understand the foregoing participant's release and agree for participant and participant's heirs, successors and assigns and for participant's legal representatives to be bound by the terms thereof.

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINT NAME PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS                      CITY    ST                      ZIP

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

# ANHEUSER-BUSCH WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY PARADE

## RULES & GUIDELINES FOR PARADE PARTICIPANTS

*(These rules and guidelines will be strictly enforced.)*

Any unit, in whole or in part, not conforming to these Rules and Guidelines, using offensive language or inappropriate behavior will be dealt with immediately. Penalties for non-compliance may include immediate removal from the parade, disqualification from judging, or barred participation in future parades. Rulings by WBCA officials are final.

**DEADLINES:** WBCA reserves the right to reject any applications received after **Thursday, December 1, 2016**. Parade applications received after the deadlines are subject to a \$150.00 late fee and availability.

**T.V. - MASTER OF CEREMONIES NARRATION INFORMATION:** The WBCA office and parade committee is not responsible for obtaining descriptions of your entry for use by Master of Ceremonies and TV anchors. Scripts can be e-mailed to [parades@wbcaredo.org](mailto:parades@wbcaredo.org) or must be submitted on a labeled CD using Microsoft Word. Include all information that merits announcing (i.e. major awards, titles, drum majors, mascot, school colors, fundraisers, etc.).

**PLEASE LIMIT YOUR SCRIPTS TO THE MAXIMUM OF ONE PARAGRAPH OR ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE (125) WORDS OR LESS. SCRIPTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2016.**

**RELEASE FORMS:** Participant Release signature is required for each participant appearing. For children under 12, form must be signed by a parent or guardian. For children between ages 12-18, the signatures of both child and parent or guardian are required. It is the responsibility of the designated person in charge to insure that each participant has submitted a form.

**ENTRY FEES:** Entry fees are payable upon submission of application and are not refundable, proof of tax status may be requested. Please make check or money orders payable to the WBCA (no cash will be accepted).

<b>Tax-exempt or Non-Profit</b>	<b>\$ 20.00</b>
<b>Commercial Entry</b>	<b>\$ 250.00</b>
<b>Fire Permit Fee</b>	<b>\$ 20.00 (Per Unit -All Floats and any Vehicles w/ generator)</b>
<b>Late Fee</b>	<b>\$ 150.00</b>

### **ADULT SUPERVISION:**

- A) A designated "person in charge" is required to accompany all units. The name of this individual, along with his/her daytime/cell phone number must be included on each application. Units with children under the age of 12 must provide responsible adult supervisors to accompany the unit.
- B) All participants, their sponsors, and "persons in charge" will immediately comply with any request received from a parade or WBCA official. The designated "person in charge" will be held responsible for the compliance of the unit as a whole.
- C) IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF SIX (6) RIDE ON FLOATS AND NOT WALK/MARCH IN THE PARADE. ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOLS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO HAVE MARCHING UNITS.
- D) For the safety of all participants, adult supervisors should ensure that their entries do NOT return on the parade route against oncoming parade traffic upon the completion of the parade.

**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES:** Consumption of any alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs by participants is prohibited.

**PERFORMANCE LIMITATIONS:** Performing of routines is strictly prohibited unless the routine is in a progressive motion. There will be no stopping or pausing along the parade route, including in front of the judges and review stand. No units may perform stunts or maneuvers that may endanger spectators. This includes motor or mini cycle group and horse units.

**THROWING OR DISTRIBUTION OF ITEMS DURING THE PARADE:** Distribution or throwing of items (including candy, beads, and balloons) to the crowd by participants is prohibited unless the Parade Committee grants approval. No more than a maximum of 10 adult walkers can be designated to hand out items to the crowds along the route. WBCA officials retain the right to confiscate any said items. All walkers must have a WBCA issued bracelet to be allowed to accompany an entry.

**EQUESTRIAN ENTRIES:** Units using horses are required to provide a clean-up crew. The crew should also be available in the line-up area. If a clean-up crew is not provided, then said entry would not be allowed to participate. No exceptions will be granted. Horse entries must also comply with federal and state quarantine regulations. For information concerning quarantine, please contact the USDA at (956) 723-3051 or the WBCA office.

**FLOATS/ NON-FLOATS WITH GENERATORS (Float Size/Construction):** A float shall be deemed a vehicle on which a frame or platform shall be at least 8' x 20' and completely decorated. Maximum height is 12'. Each float must be equipped with 1/2" bar with 1 1/2" eye for hooking a towline in case of breakdown. **All float entries must be constructed with fire retardant materials. ALL FLOATS and VEHICLES with a generator MUST CARRY AN "ALL PURPOSE"- 5 POUND ABC TYPE FIRE EXTINGUISHER WITHIN THE REACH OF THE DRIVER, Inspected and Tagged by a State licensed Fire Extinguisher maintenance inspector (current inspection tag).** No Gasoline Containers will be allowed on floats and/or vehicles while the parade is in motion. No Smoking will be allowed on or off the floats and/or vehicles during the event. No Open Flames or Fireworks are allowed on or off floats and/or vehicles at any time. All Generators must have their exhaust outlet facing away from all combustible material at all times. Tail pipe for exhaust must extend to side of or rear, projecting beyond the float apron. Signs bearing the name of the community, organization, or individual entering float must appear on the side aprons. Devices displaying advertisement for any trade, mercantile pursuit, or business occupation shall not appear above the bed of the float.

**POLITICAL SIGNAGE:** **Absolutely NO** political signs, materials, shirts, etc., are allowed on floats or on person participating on float or person participating as a walker in the parade.

**\*Any FLOAT or NON-FLOAT not complying with ANY of the above listed requirements will NOT participate.**

**WALKERS:** Those individuals who will walk with an entry **MUST BE 18 YEARS OR OLDER** and **MUST** complete a **Participant's Release Form**. They must also have a WBCA issued bracelet to be allowed on the route.

**VEHICLES:** No closed vehicles i.e. vans and limousines will be allowed. Trucks and automobiles will be permitted if pulling a float or carrying a sound system. **NO individuals are allowed to ride in the back of the truck.** The only person that is allowed is the sound technician. (The Parade Committee can grant written approval for any exceptions.) **All** towing vehicles should be **fully decorated** to match the colors/theme of the float/entry. See attachment for examples.

**MOTORCYCLES/FOUR WHEELERS/ATVs:** Four wheelers (ATVs) and motorcycles will not be allowed unless they are part of a law enforcement unit. Law Enforcement units are asked to limit these vehicles to 4 in total.

**CAR CLUB ENTRIES:** Due to time restrictions and the length of the parade, each car club may have only two (2) of their best cars as entries in the parade. In addition, all car club entries must have participated in the WBCA Pipes and Stripes Car Show **(Feb.11, 2017)** to be eligible to participate in the parade.



**LAW ENFORCEMENT ENTRIES:** Due to time restrictions and the length of the parade, law enforcement entries (not those securing the route) will be limited to one float and two squad cars per law enforcement agency. If the agency does not have a float, then two additional cars may be added for a total of 4 cars.

**FLAGS:** Any flags displayed in conjunction with the parade must conform to all regulations governing the display of flags in the USA.

**CITATIONS:** WBCA Committee Members will be issuing citations to all entries/participants that do not follow the rules & guidelines. Those cited risk not being considered for parade judging. Cited entries risk placement and inclusion in subsequent parades.

**PARADE LINE-UP:** A Mandatory Orientation Meeting will be held on **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2017 AT 6 PM** at the Laredo Civic Center Ballroom. Parade line up numbers, maps, and instructions will be issued at this meeting. The Parade Committee will be available to answer any questions or concerns about your unit(s).

**SECOND MANDATORY MEETING:** There will be a **SECOND MANDATORY MEETING** held this year **(DATE TBD)** at the Laredo Civic Center Ballroom. The Parade Committee will be available to answer any questions or concerns about your unit(s) and the new staging areas and routes. **It is IMPORTANT that at least one representative from each parade entry attends BOTH of these meetings.**

**PARADE JUDGING GUIDELINES:** These guidelines are given to you as a guide only to help you with the planning of your entry.

**BAND AND MARCHING UNITS**

1.	Uniformity – appearance, uniforms, attractiveness . . . . .	25%
2.	Precision – formations, marching . . . . .	25%
3.	Sound – intonation, rhythmic precision . . . . .	25%
4.	General effect – crowd pleaser, volume, musical selection . . . . .	25%
	<b>TOTAL . . . . .</b>	<b>100%</b>

**FLOATS AND CARS**

1.	Appearance – Costumes, neatness, attractiveness . . . . .	25%
2.	Originality – Creativity, uniqueness . . . . .	25%
3.	Integration to Theme (or patriotism). . . . .	25%
4.	General effect – Music, action, lights . . . . .	25%
	<b>TOTAL . . . . .</b>	<b>100%</b>

**DANCE AND CHEER SQUADS**

1.	Choreography – synchronicity, music, eye appealing . . . . .	25%
2.	Precision – sharpness, smiles, enthusiasm . . . . .	25%
3.	Costumes/Uniforms – attractive, neat . . . . .	25%
4.	Crowd pleaser – audience response, general effect . . . . .	25%
	<b>TOTAL . . . . .</b>	<b>100%</b>

# ANHEUSER-BUSCH WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY PARADE

## RULES & GUIDELINES FOR PARADE PARTICIPANTS

(These rules and guidelines will be strictly enforced.)






**EQUESTRIAN ENTRIES:** Units using horses are required to provide a clean-up crew. The crew should also be available in the line-up area. If a clean-up crew is not provided, then said entry would not be allowed to participate. No exceptions will be granted. Horse entries must also comply with federal and state quarantine regulations. For information concerning quarantine, please contact the USDA at (956) 723-3051 or the WBCA office.

### Equestrian parade entrants need to provide WBCA the following by Dec. 1st:

#### 1. Contact Information:

- A. Identify Equestrian Group (Entrant Name) \_\_\_\_\_  
Provide Main Point of Contact for this Group \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Phone Number (Required) # \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Identify horse handler name. (Must be the name of the person who will be present at the parade and who will remain with the horse throughout event. \_\_\_\_\_  
Must provide Cell Phone Number (Required) # \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Every entrant must provide entrants name, handler information, cell number information to State Inspectors for parade day inspection for Coggins clearance. A Coggins test should be done on an annual basis. Tests every 6 months are recommended if there is increased traveling.

REQUIRED ITEMS CHECKLIST: All horse handlers must be prepared to provide the following information on event day:

-  1- A list of horses that have been paired with their rider(s), contact information for the riders and horse handlers; and, individual Coggins test results at parade staging area for state inspectors.
-  2- Number of horses & riders designated under same parade entry form.
-  3- Identify all walkers who will accompany the equestrian entrant\*  
\*WBCA to provide bracelets for walkers.
-  4 - City Permit for equestrian(s) entries, as was submitted to WBCA office (Proof of payment attached)
-  5 - Coggins Test results for each horse attached to copy of City permit and on Parade staging site for state inspectors.

D. Access Streets for all Equestrian Units will be as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Time: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Staging locations: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*WBCA representatives or designated safety rep of WBCA to be present at entry sides @ 6:00 AM to direct Entrants and/or trucks/trailers to areas of Equestrian staging. Staging streets to be barricaded, named, and designated for each equestrian group.**

E. Clean up attendant(s). "Pooper scoopers"

1. Please provide names: \_\_\_\_\_

2. **REQUIRED:** One (1) Participant Release Form per person/volunteer participating in the parade.

F. No reckless behavior allowed. i.e. No galloping, etc...

# Do's for the Anheuser-Busch Washington's Birthday Parade Participants

1. *Do* be kind. Everyone working the parade is a volunteer. We have families and jobs that we are taking time from to help you and the community. Our goals are to prevent accidents, help everyone have a good time, and to run an efficient parade.
2. *Do* follow the parade route. Please do not allow anyone in your group to deviate from the designated route. Please make sure no one goes through, around, under, or moves barricades.
3. *Do* keep up with the entry in front of you. Do not exceed **30 feet** between entries.
4. *Do* keep your music turned off in parking lot prior to the start of the parade. It is okay to check your equipment, but then turn it off so that the volunteers can communicate with you and the other entries.
5. *Do* perform **all** your routines **in motion**. Please **do not stop** to perform as this slows down the parade causing the last entries to finish very late and will also get your group disqualified.
6. *Do* keep your line-up number displayed on the right side of your entry. The parade judges and review stand will be on your right. Do not alter the numbers in any way. This would result in immediate disqualification.
7. *Do* make arrangements to load your generators, towing vehicles, speakers, and any other equipment on your float prior to arrival at your staging areas. No trucks will be allowed to deliver equipment to the floats after 4:00 p.m. on Thursday for the IBC Youth Parade or after 6:00 a.m. Saturday for the AB Parade.
8. *Do* have all your participants dismount the floats at the designated areas. Please make sure parents know to pick up their children at the designated areas. There will be volunteers as well as security at those locations. Please do not allow children to return on the float. For the safety of all participants, adult supervisors should ensure that their entries do NOT return on the parade route against oncoming parade traffic upon the completion of the parade.
9. *Do* remember that the throwing of candies, gum, coins, toys, etc. from moving vehicles is prohibited at all times.
10. *Do* be aware that silly string and poppers are prohibited at both parades. It is against the law to use either of these things and it is punishable by a fine of up to \$200.00. These things scare horses, drivers, and participants and can obstruct the vision of drivers.
11. *Do* respect our sponsors and do not hand out flyers or advertisements of any kind.
12. No political signs or materials may be distributed.
13. *Do* be sure that all walkers have a WBCA issued bracelet. No more than 10 walkers will be allowed per parade entry. Walkers must be at least 18 years or older.

## **Remember:**

**Our goal is the safety of both participants and observers while having fun!**

Please retain a copy for your records.

**ANHEUSER-BUSCH**  
**WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY PARADE**  
*SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2017*  
*9:00 A.M.*

**LINE-UP FORM**

**DEADLINE: Thursday, December 1, 2016**

*(One form per organization)*

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM ONLY IF YOUR ORGANIZATION WILL BE ENTERING MORE THAN ONE UNIT PER PARADE. PLEASE BE SURE TO SUBMIT ONE APPLICATION PER ENTRY. \*APPLICATION ON PAGE 3 MAY BE REPRODUCED AS NEEDED.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, director/school principal of

PRINT NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
SCHOOL/ORGANIZATION NAME

require that our parade entries/units\* line-up in the following order:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

\* REMEMBER: Each entry must submit an individual application, fee and corresponding forms.  
\*The order of the line-up specified above must be followed the day of the parade or risk not being judged.

I also understand that this line-up order form does not guarantee parade entries without submitting parade applications, liability forms, participant release forms, and fees for each.

\_\_\_\_\_  
DIRECTOR/ PRINCIPAL'S SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

# Out-of-Town Parade Participant Survey

Organization/School/Business

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete the questions below and return this form with your application. This form is required for all parade entries that will have out-of-town participants in their group.

1) Will you stay in Laredo overnight?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

a) If so, how many nights? \_\_\_\_\_

b) Approximately how many rooms? \_\_\_\_\_

2) How many people will be in your group? \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you,  
WBCA**

The WBCA Parade Committee encourages all parade participants to decorate the entire vehicle which includes flatbeds and trailers. They must be fully decorated to avoid points being deducted during judging.



Here is an example of a fully decorated vehicle.



Here is an example of a fully decorated vehicle with matching float.



Here is an example of a fully decorated vehicle with lights.