

Blossomtime Festival Youth Parade Entry Form

Thursday, May 3, 2018 @ 5:00 p.m. Dickinson Stadium (Football Field) St. Joseph High School

Sponsor: Starks Family Funeral Homes – Awards: Twin City Awards & Trophies

Theme: "Roll Out The Red Carpet"

Contact Name: _____

As the official contact person for this entry, I accept responsibility for any vandalism incurred by the youngster(s) in this unit.

(Please sign)

Email: _____

Home #: _____ Work #: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

PLEASE CHECK YOUR ENTRY CATEGORY AND FILL IN NAME:

Of Members in Unit (must have) _____ **Participation ribbons will be given to each child in your unit.**

If you do not list the number of participants, ribbons will NOT BE GIVEN.

****All performing units must limit their performance time in front of the judges to no more than two minutes.**

Units not conforming to this guideline will not be judged. **

_____ **Float – Division A Name:** _____

Sweepstake winner will participate in the Grand Floral Parade on Saturday, May 5, 2018.

Will your UNIT be available to participate if selected? YES ___ NO ___

_____ **Float – Division B Name:** _____

_____ **Band** – Director: _____ School: _____

_____ **Scout Troop – Boy/Girl** (circle one) **Troop #:** _____

_____ **4-H Unit Name:** _____

_____ **Cheerleading Group Name:** _____

_____ **Drill Team Name:** _____

_____ **Drum Line Name:** _____

_____ **Pom Pon Group Name:** _____

_____ **Gymnastics Team/Group Name:** _____

_____ **Costumed Pets Name** (what type): _____

_____ **Costumed Individual Name:** _____

_____ **Costumed Group Name:** _____

_____ **Decorated Wagon/Bike/Doll Carriage Name:** _____

_____ **School Group Name:** _____

_____ **Other** (please explain): _____

No Motorized Vehicles Are Allowed in the Youth Parade

Deadline for Entry: THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2018

(Line up information will be sent to you after the deadline date)

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2018 BLOSSOMTIME FESTIVAL YOUTH PARADE

THEME: "Roll Out The Red Carpet"

Thursday, May 3, 2018 @ 5:00 p.m.

Dickinson Stadium, St. Joseph High School

ENTRY FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR BLOSSOMTIME WEBSITE: www.blossomtimefestival.org

Or call/e-mail the Blossomtime Office:

269-982-8016 office@blossomtimefestival.org

GENERAL RULES: Entry is open to any youth in Southwest Michigan from toddlers through Junior High age. All entries must be in the Blossomtime Festival office by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 26, 2018 if they wish to be judged. Entries arriving after that date will be placed at the end of the line up. Any individual or group not following rules/directions will be asked to leave the line up.

NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE PARADE.

REGISTRATION: Information will be available regarding line-up, where to report and when.

BANDS: Will be judged on marching, clarity of sound, and overall appearance. The winning entry in this category will appear in the Grand Floral Parade on Saturday, May 5th at 1:00 p.m.

MARCHING UNITS: Will be judged on preciseness of marching and general appearance. All performing units must limit their performance time in front of the judges to no more than two minutes. Units not conforming to this guideline will not be judged.

PETS: Entrant and pet will be judged as a unit and on the basis of originality, cleanliness and use of the Blossomtime Festival theme. **(Must have baggies for refuse clean up).**

FLOATS Division A: May be no larger than 7'x 7'. No more than six youngsters may pull one float. Four additional may be involved riding or walking - a total of ten participants. The winning entry including all participants in your unit (up to 10) will appear in the Grand Floral Parade on Saturday. Two adult chaperones/walkers must accompany the float along the Parade route. A float bed will be provided by Blossomtime.

FLOATS Division B: May be no larger than 5'x 5'. No more than four youngsters may pull one float. Two additional may walk or ride - a total of six participants.

SCHOOL FLOATS: This is for a float not fitting any other category: art class project, etc.

A SPECIAL NOTE TO PARENTS: Only one adult may walk on the sidelines with your child's unit during the parade. If you do not walk the parade route, be sure to select a pre-determined location to meet your child after the parade. This is an exciting day for your youngster. Please help make it safe by checking your child's entry. Encourage him/her to build as much of it as possible. Please follow the posted parking instructions and the directions of the police on the premises.
Safety first!

AWARDS: All awards will be given out at the Reviewing Stand, immediately following the parade. **Pre-judging** will begin at 4:00 p.m. at Dickinson Stadium. Every Unit that is to be judged will be pre-judged. All Units, including Bands that will be performing at the Judges' stand, will be giving the Judges another chance to look at your Unit. Awards will be given only to those signing the Entry Form. **Units not abiding by the two-minute performance limit will be disqualified.**

PARTICIPANT RIBBONS: Ribbons for each child, in your unit, will be given at check-in. If you do not have the number of participants on your Entry Form, ribbons will not be given out.

**ONLY THE WINNING SCHOOL BAND AND CLASS A FLOAT WILL MOVE UP TO
THE GRAND FLORAL PARADE ON SATURDAY,
MAY 5, 2018. MARSHALING INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE GRAND FLORAL
PARADE WILL BE GIVEN TO THE WINNERS FOLLOWING THE YOUTH PARADE.**

PLEASE TELL US ABOUT YOUR ENTRY

The following information will be used by our Parade Commentator and will be given to the press, should your entry be a winner:

Entry number: To be assigned by the Blossomtime Festival office and will be given at check in.

Official name of entry:

Please describe your entry:

Entry history (if applicable):

Age range of participants:

Tell us more!

This information will be used to write the script for the emcee to announce your unit at the Reviewing Stand. Script will be written for the emcee; remember all entries must be in the Blossomtime Office by THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2018

Looking forward to seeing you at the Youth Parade!