Juneteenth ICT Parade Rules and Regulations Please take the time to read thoroughly

The Juneteenth ICT Parade will take place on <u>Saturday, June 21, 2025</u>. Each year, we work to ensure that the greater Wichita community enjoys this growing tradition. Please review the following rules and regulations before signing up. The Juneteenth ICT committee will review all applications and notify organizations/individuals regarding acceptance. Once accepted, an invoice will be sent and must be paid in full before participation is confirmed. <u>Please do not send payment until you receive acceptance confirmation from the Juneteenth ICT committee.</u> We are communicating with many people and ask that you stay on top of your email. Email is our preferred method of communication.

• Entry Information

Armbands will be available for pickup, along with additional communication regarding check-in and lineup details before the parade. The only entry fees are the armbands. Anyone 4 years and older must have an armband if they are in the parade.

- Entry Fee:
 - \$6 per person (ages 13 and up)
 - \$3 per person (ages 4-12)
- Deadline: Monday, May 5, 2025 Refund Policy: All registration fees are final; no refunds will be given under any circumstances.

Bulk Purchases: For orders of 50 or more armbands, contact JuneteenthICT@coreofwichita.org or call 316-768-7820.

Rules & Regulations

- The Juneteenth ICT Parade Committee reserves the right to bar or remove any entry that does not comply with parade officials, volunteers, or police.
- Each unit must appoint a **Unit Captain** to coordinate with the Parade Committee. This is the group's point of contact.
- Please register your entire team at once to ensure accurate group numbers.
 Avoid signing up team members separately.
- Participants must arrive at their designated location on time, or they risk being excluded.
- Line-up order is determined by the Parade Committee for variety and smooth flow.

- All drivers must be licensed, and vehicles must be insured.
- All participants (ages 4 and up) must wear a Juneteenth ICT armband.
- Children under 13 must be supervised by an adult at all times.
- The number of vehicles and participants in each unit must be specified in the application.
- Please distribute candy, handouts, and any other crowd items safely.
- No smoking, alcohol, or illegal substances are allowed.
- No controversial materials are permitted; the Parade Committee reserves the right to deny any entry.
- Performing units must maintain forward movement to avoid parade delays.
- Walking groups should engage with the crowd using coordinated activities or routines.
- Bands and dance groups should aim to perform for as much of the parade as possible.
- Floats should incorporate animation, costumes, and music where feasible
- All entrants must **inspect the parade route in advance** to ensure clearance under trees, bridges, and other structures (14-foot height limit applies).
- \circ All sound elements must be appropriate and include only edited music.

• Competition & Safety

- Entries will be judged on originality, creativity, quality, and entertainment value.
- Prize: Traveling Juneteenth ICT trophy and cash prize (must select "yes" on the sign-up form to enter the contest).
- Emergency vehicles must have a clear path at all times.
 - Parade volunteers will be identifiable in Juneteenth ICT volunteer t-shirts please ask them for assistance if needed.

Parade Route

The parade will begin at Holy Savior (3000 E 13th St N, Wichita, KS 67214), proceed down 13th Street under I-35, and conclude at Historic McAdams Park.

Disband Areas:

- Walkers: Turn into **N Ohio Ave**
- Non-Walkers (vehicles, floats, motorcycles, etc.): Disband past Wabash Ave Float & Unit Regulations
- Float Units: Must be on a low, flat trailer or similar frame and must adhere to their original concept unless pre-approved by the Parade Committee.

• Safety Requirements:

- Handholds or other support must be available for participants standing on the float.
- Children under 13 must be supervised by an adult.
- Animation, costumes, and music are encouraged.

Dimension Requirements	Minimum	Maximum
Length	12 feet	60 feet
Width	7 feet	12 feet
Height	No minimum	14 feet
Inflatable Clearance	2 feet	4 feet
Skirting Clearance	1 inch	2 inches

• Float & Unit Regulations

Float Units: Must be on a low, flat trailer or similar frame and must adhere to their original concept unless pre-approved by the Parade Committee.

- Inflatable Units: Responsible for all associated components, including volunteers or helium.
- **Band Units:** Encouraged to perform along the entire parade route for audience enjoyment.
- Equestrian Units: Must provide their own sanitation (pooper-scoopers or diapers).
- Walking Units: Highly encouraged to wear costumes or matching colors and incorporate chants or choreography while maintaining parade pace.
- **Governmental Units:** Limited to elected officials or departments, with participants required to purchase armbands.
- Parade volunteers will be identifiable in Juneteenth ICT volunteer t-shirts please ask them for assistance if needed.

Additional Notes

No transportation will be provided back to the check-in lot. For any additional questions, please contact the Juneteenth ICT Committee at JuneteenthICT@coreofwichita.org or 316-768-7820.

Sign Up **HERE**.