

## 2020 HOMECOMING PACKET

September 1, 2020

Dear Registered Student Organization:

Homecoming 2020 will have a new look this year due to COVID-19, but Murray State University will have a Homecoming! **This year's theme is "We are Racers!"**

Instead of the traditional Parade with floats, the Student Government Association will host a Parade of Banners on Saturday at 9:30 am October 31, 2020, on 16th Street. Banners will be displayed from October 31 to November 6 (unless inclement weather). The 2020 Homecoming Court and dignitaries will officially cut the ribbon to start the Parade of Banners at 9:30 am.

ONLY Registered Student Organizations are encouraged to have a Banner (typically a flat bed sheet) painted with the theme WE ARE RACERS, as well as the name of your organization. All organizations are being judged in the same category. Be creative with your Banner. [Submit your banner application here](#). They will be judged on...

- Originality
- Pertaining to the Theme
- Craftsmanship
- General Appearance

*The categories above will be ranked on a scale of 1-5, 1 being poor and 5 being excellent. First place will receive \$100, second place \$75, and third place \$50.*

The banner cannot be larger than a king-sized sheet. This is an event for not only Murray State, but the Murray community, so make sure the banners are family-friendly. You must submit your banner application no later than October 19. Everything must lay flat on the sheet. You must also build a frame to hold up your banner. See our recommendations on how to build a frame on the next page.

Since we will not be having a traditional parade, you will not be partnered with any other organization. These partnerships may carry over to 2021 Homecoming.

Submit your finished Banner to the CSI office (111 Curris Center) no later than **Wednesday, October 26, 2020, at noon**. ONLY one representative from each organization shall be present with the frame at assigned location (location will be emailed to organization at a future date). A SGA member will bring the banner and assist the member in hanging it. Organization member will be encouraged to leave until the official start of the Parade of Banners at 9:30 am.

Only 2 people may be with the Banner at a time (this includes taking pictures and representing your organization) this may rotate between members, attendance is optional.

Banners must be removed by Friday, November 6, 2020, at 4 pm or if inclement weather is forecasted. For every day the banner is up after November 6, there will be a \$50 fine.

The annual crowning of the Homecoming King and Queen will take place at 11 am on Saturday, October 31 on the Great Lawn. All registered student organizations on campus are asked to nominate one candidate for King and one candidate for Queen for this event. **All King and Queen nominations must be submitted by Tuesday, October 6 NO later than 4:00 pm.** All applications can be found at the links attached or by visiting the SGA website then the 'Services/Programs' tab under Homecoming.

[King Nomination Application Here](#)  
[Queen Nomination Application Here](#)

King and Queen nominees must be students at MSU with a GPA of at least 2.75. The candidates will be first judged by a screening committee, which will narrow the selection to five Queen and five King candidates. The screening committee will be considering academic standing, personal interests, good grooming, and most importantly, involvement in extracurricular activities at Murray State. The student body will then vote for their choice of Homecoming King and Queen online (MyGate) on October 28-29.

**Homecoming King and Queen interviews will be held on TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20 beginning at 4:00 p.m.**

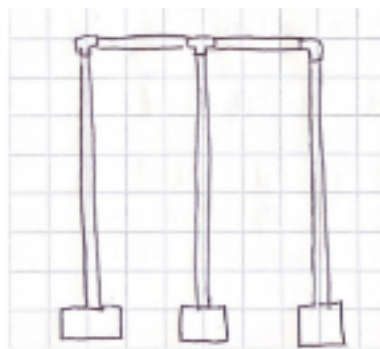
Frame Recommendations:

For building the frame we recommend that you use PVC pipe, wood blocks (or something heavy and sturdy to hold the PVC pipes up), and large clips.

We find that the frames work best when you use three pieces of PVC pipe in the back (vertically) and two pieces connected up at the top to help support the other three pieces.

The vertical pieces of PVC pipe should be the same height as the sheet. Use the wooden blocks to hold your PVC pipe straight up and down, to keep the banner from falling over.

Then use large clips to attach the banner to the frame. This makes for quick and easy assembling/disassembling. You may make your banner frame however is easiest for you. This is just one way!



If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the CSI Office at (270) 809-6951, or you may e-mail me at klyons5@murraystate.edu. We are looking forward to your participation in the 2020 Homecoming!

Sincerely,

*Kristen Lyons*

Homecoming Chair, Campus Activities Board