



## 2024 HOMECOMING PACKET

July 24, 2024

Dear Student Organization:

Murray State University's Homecoming will be held on **October 19, 2024**, and we want you to be part of it! This year's theme is "**Forever Blue and Gold!**" The Parade theme is "**IT'S A RACER HOLIDAY!**" Each group should pick a holiday and decorate their float to represent that holiday.

If your organization is interested in participating in the Homecoming Parade with a float, vehicle, or banner please fill out the enclosed application. **Applications are due via Google form attached below by 4:00 PM on Tuesday, September 24, 2024.** Parade lineup instructions are enclosed.

[Parade Application \\*Click Here\\*](#)

The annual crowning of the Homecoming King and Queen will take place during the pre-game festivities. All 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 via Google form attached below by Tuesday, September 24, 2024, NO later than 4 PM.**

[King Nomination Application \\*Click Here\\*](#)

[Queen Nomination Application \\*Click Here\\*](#)

King and Queen nominees are eligible only if they have paid their student activity fee. 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.

**Homecoming King and Queen interviews will be held on TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1st, beginning at 4:00 p.m.**

**FAILURE TO BE FULLY REGISTERED AS A STUDENT ORGANIZATION BY SEPTEMBER 9, 2024, by 4 PM WILL RESULT IN YOUR ORGANIZATION NOT BEING ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY UNIVERSITY FUNCTIONS UNTIL AT LEAST NOVEMBER 1, 2024, INCLUDING ALL HOMECOMING 2024 FESTIVITIES. [Visit here](#) for all steps to complete the RSO process. NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE.**

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the CSI Office at 270-809-6951, or you may email me at [kdrueke@murraystate.edu](mailto:kdrueke@murraystate.edu) or Kade Gambill at [kgambill@murraystate.edu](mailto:kgambill@murraystate.edu). We are looking forward to your participation in Homecoming!

Sincerely,

*Katherine Drueke*

Homecoming Chair  
Campus Activities Board

## **PARADE LINE UP INSTRUCTIONS**

### **LINE UP WILL BEGIN AT 8:00 AM**

#### **CAR**

Going East down Main Street to 4<sup>th</sup> Street, TURN South (right) to Maple Street, TURN left go to Parking Lot (on left) MSU Person will tell you where to line up

#### **PICK UP TRUCK (NOT PULLING ANYTHING)**

Same as Car instructions

#### **PICK UP PULLING TRAILER**

FIND OUT LENGTH OF TRAILER \_\_\_\_\_

Going East down Main Street to 4<sup>th</sup> Street, turn left to red light TURN right on to Industrial Road stay till 94 Hwy, TURN right on to 94 East, MSU person will line you up. AFTER PARADE all floats over 12 feet go straight on 16<sup>th</sup> street.

#### **BUS**

Going East down Main Street to 4<sup>th</sup> Street, TURN North (left) to Olive Street, TURN right on Olive to dead end (Briggs & Stratton parking lot) unload students. Go back on Olive to 4<sup>th</sup> to Main turn right stay on Main TURN right on 15<sup>th</sup> Street (Sparks Hall), parking for buses designated.

#### **SEMI**

Same as Pick up pulling trailer instructions

#### **DROPPING OFF**

If you are bringing someone to be in the parade (i.e. ride float, truck, car, walk, etc.) YOU MUST drop them off on the Court Square and they will walk down Main Street to Briggs & Stratton parking lot.

#### **PICK UP AFTER PARADE**

Will be on 15<sup>th</sup> Street parking lot in front of Pogue Library. PLEASE, PLEASE USE OLIVE BOULEVARD.

#### **AFTER PARADE**

THE PARADE ENDS AT THE INTERSECTION OF 15TH & MAIN STREET. DO NOT STOP ON MAIN STREET! PLEASE CONTINUE TO ANOTHER LOCATION TO UNLOAD RIDERS OR TAKE APART FLOAT.

## Murray State University Tailgating Procedure

- Tailgating is permitted only in the Stewart Stadium parking lots on the day of home athletic events.
  - Requests for permission to tailgate in areas other than the Stewart Stadium parking lot should be made to the Associate Athletic Director for External Affairs, 270-809-3430.
- Tailgating should begin no earlier than four (4) hours prior to the scheduled start of the contest and should end no later than one hour after the contest begins.
- Individuals attending tailgating events are expected to conduct themselves in a manner respectful of the nature and character of the University.
- Use of alcoholic beverages must not violate state and local laws.
- Consumption of alcoholic beverages by persons under 21 years of age is strictly prohibited.
- Open containers of alcohol outside the Stewart Stadium parking lots are strictly prohibited.
- Consumption of alcoholic beverages from their original containers is strictly prohibited. All alcoholic beverages shall be consumed from paper or solid-colored, plastic cups and not from cans or bottles. For safety purposes, glass beverage containers are prohibited.
- Alcohol containers must not be visible to the general public.
- Kegs and other mass consumption sources of alcohol are not permitted.
- Drinking games are strictly prohibited.
- TENT CITY: In addition to the above guidelines the following parameters apply to participation in the Tent City events.
  - Tailgating will be permitted within the walls of Stewart Stadium in designated Tent City areas.
- Students are to adhere to any university officials request to comply with the above stated guidelines and shall be subject to sanctions should they not comply with said requests.
- Groups with multiple violations of the above guidelines may be denied participation in Tent City activities due to a history of noncompliance.