



There is no entry fee for the parade!



# 2019 HOLIDAY PARADE ENTRY

## Up On The Rooftop, Click, Click, Click...

Saturday, **Dec. 14, 2019**

**MAKE YOUR PLANS NOW TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MADISON HOLIDAY PARADE 2019!**

We're following the North Main St. route for 2019. The parade will impact College Dr., N. Main St., W. Jefferson St., and Second St.–plus all intersecting streets.

Madison Main Street and the City of Madison invite you to participate in our annual holiday parade through downtown Madison. There is no entry fee for the parade, but you must submit an application and be approved to participate. The deadline to enter is December 6. Rules & Guidelines are included with this form–please read carefully, and don't hesitate to call with questions.

Group leaders please be sure that parents and guardians are given a copy of this packet.

Three float prizes will be awarded: Best in Show, Most Creative, and Best Use Of Theme (\$100 Downtown Dollar Prize to a winner in each category!)

Name of organization \_\_\_\_\_

Name of contact person \_\_\_\_\_

Address of contact \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime phone \_\_\_\_\_ Evening phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email of contact \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY & PROVIDE AS MUCH INFO AS POSSIBLE:**

Vehicle Type \_\_\_\_\_ Float (estimate length) \_\_\_\_\_ Horses (how many?)\* \_\_\_\_\_

Walking unit (how many?) \_\_\_\_\_ Band (how many?) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_

\*Horse entries see #9 on the following page.

**RETURN ENTRIES TO MADISON CITY HALL**

**MAIL TO:**  
City of Madison  
Attn. Colleen Hall, Main Street Event Coordinator  
132 N. Main St. PO Box 32  
Madison GA 30650

**DROP OFF:**  
Madison City Hall  
Main Street & Planning Office  
(High St. entrance)  
Attn. Colleen Hall

**EMAIL:**  
Colleen Hall  
[chall@madisonga.com](mailto:chall@madisonga.com)

# Holiday Parade Rules & Guidelines

## PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND DISTRIBUTE TO EACH PARTICIPANT IN YOUR GROUP.

The parade will follow the N. Main St. route this year—please review the attached map to acquaint yourself with the route. Also attached is the parade staging map to help you find your way around during parade set up and line-up.

1. **Absolutely no throwing, handing out, or distributing of candy, favors, or literature of any kind from any parade participant.** This is a serious safety issue—if anyone violates this rule, the parade will be stopped by Madison Police.
2. **Floats and vehicles check-in at the MC Aquatic Center parking lot.** After check in, floats and vehicles will stage in the lot, then be directed to line-up along College Dr. Participants can check-in for line-up as early as 2:00 p.m. Use the East Ave. entrance to the parking lot only. All parade participants must be in line by 3:15 p.m. to participate. Floats will be judged and awards will be given on site, then publicly announced at the corner of N. Main St. and W. Jefferson St. as the floats pass by. Floats must be

finished and riders must be on floats prior to receiving the registration number for line-up. (see **LOADING** below).

**Horses gather at the corner of College Ave. and College Dr.** Horses will feed-in to the parade from there. Horse owners should park at the Board of Education (BoE) parking lot or at the lot between the BoE lot and the tennis courts.

**Walkers line-up and check-in at the tennis courts.** Walkers will feed-in to the parade from there. Walkers should park at the BoE parking lot or at the lot between the BoE and the tennis courts.

**The Marching Bulldog Band** will line-up at the track. The band will feed in to the parade from there. Band members should park at the MCHS.

**Parents dropping off**, see attached map (or read above) to find where your kids need to be. Walking groups should be dropped off at the BoE lot to meet their leaders, and then walk to the Tennis Courts. Parents dropping off kids for floats or vehicles should drop off at the MC Aquatic Center parking lot (East Ave. entrance only). **College Dr. will be closed to cars from 2:00-4:00 p.m.**

3. **The Route.** Line up will take place along College Dr. from the MC Aquatic Center to the track—use the info above to check-in at your appropriate location. Ideally everyone should be lined-up and the parade will begin walking toward N. Main St. at 3:50. The band, walkers, and Santa will feed in along College Dr. >>> At N. Main St. the parade will turn left and continue toward downtown. >>> At Jefferson St. the parade will turn right and move up W. Jefferson St. toward Town Park. >>> At 2nd St. everyone will turn right and **CHOOSE one of the following:**
  - 1) line up behind the police car (parade lead car) along Second St. and return to MCHS—any vehicles returning to MCHS should be following the lead car. NOTE: City streets will be re-opened shortly after the parade has passed;
  - 2) turn right on High St and drop riders at the Bank of Madison (BoM) lot to wait for pick-up or to go to Town Park >>> if dropping AND then returning to the MC Aquatic Center area, you should turn right on High St., drop off kids, and then use the BoM lot to exit back on to Second St and re-enter the parade line back to the MC Aquatic Center .

All paraders scheduling pick up should make arrangements to meet with their rides in the Bank of Madison parking lot at approx 5:00 p.m., or at the MC Aquatic Center parking lot at approximately 5:10 p.m.

4. **Spacing.** Paraders must maintain one car length spacing between vehicles.
5. **Keep Moving.** The parade must keep moving forward—try to leave no more than one car length between cars.
6. **Licensed and insured drivers only.** All motorized vehicles and anything being towed by a motorized vehicle must be insured and must be driven by a licensed and insured driver.
7. **Height limit.** Floats should not exceed 16 feet in height.
8. **Sharp turn ahead!** Large vehicles or vehicles pulling floats should confirm their ability to turn right safely from W. Jefferson St. onto N. Second St. before the parade.
9. **Animals in the parade.** Entrants with animals must have a clean-up system to ensure proper disposal of animal waste. Please include clean-up plan with entry. Please ensure the safety of others and your animals.
10. **The parade will proceed as planned, rain or shine, unless the weather is severe.** Any cancellations or delays would be posted on facebook—Main Street Madison Georgia, as early as possible. Follow us!

## Loading/Decorating/Viewing

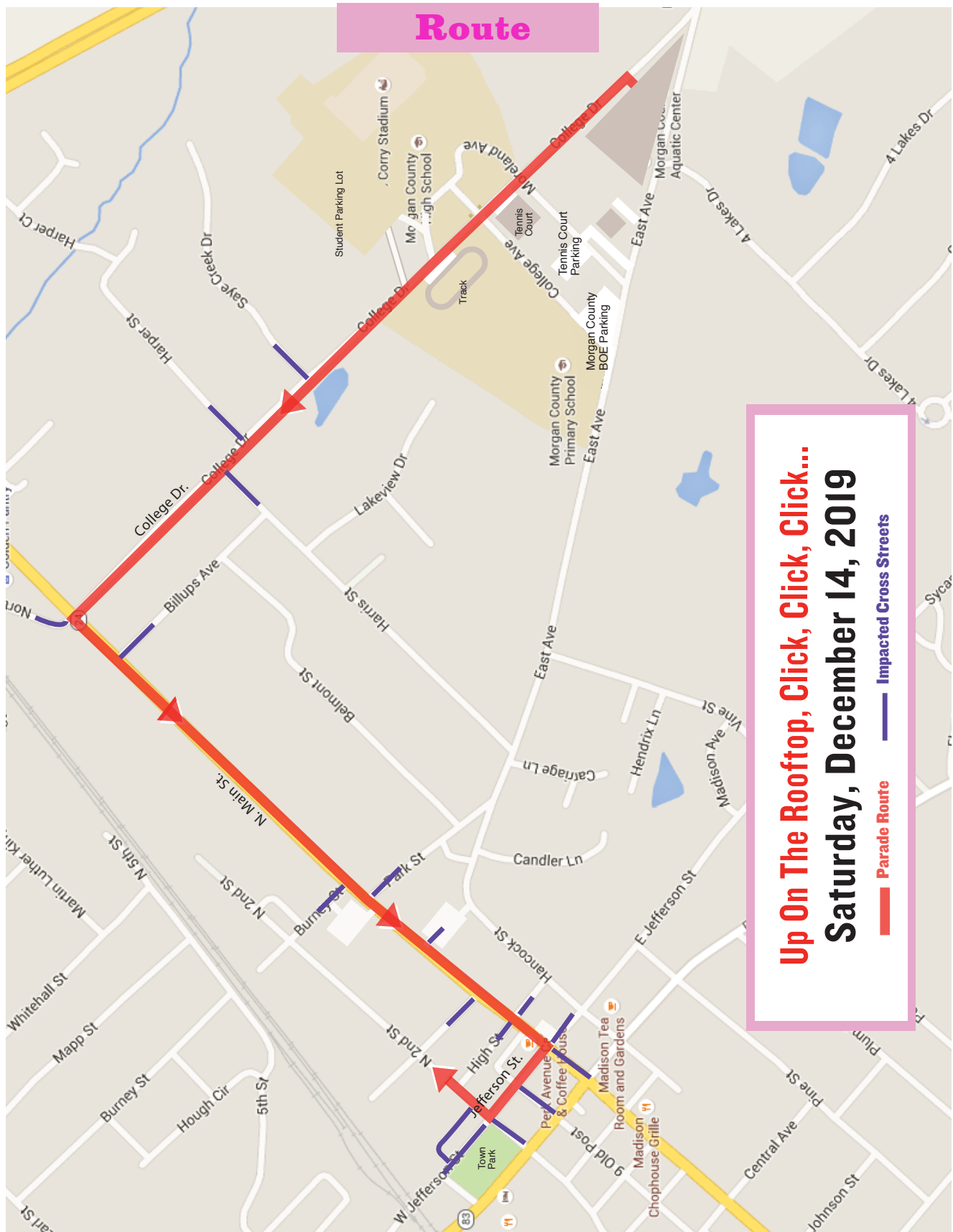
**LOADING** Anyone needing space to touch up a float, or time to load riders before line-up, should do so in the MC Aquatic Center parking lot. Once the float is complete and everyone is on board, THEN a representative from the group should pick up the registration number from check-in and be directed to their place in line along College. Any car not being used in the parade should park in a parking lot marked with a blue dot on the Staging Map.

Volunteers will be on hand to help you find your spot. To participate in the parade and judging, all vehicles and floats MUST be in the parade line-up by 3:15. The parade line-up will step-off at 3:55. The parade will not wait for stragglers.

**Decorating.** Have fun with your float! We would like to have every float and entry decorated to match this year's theme.

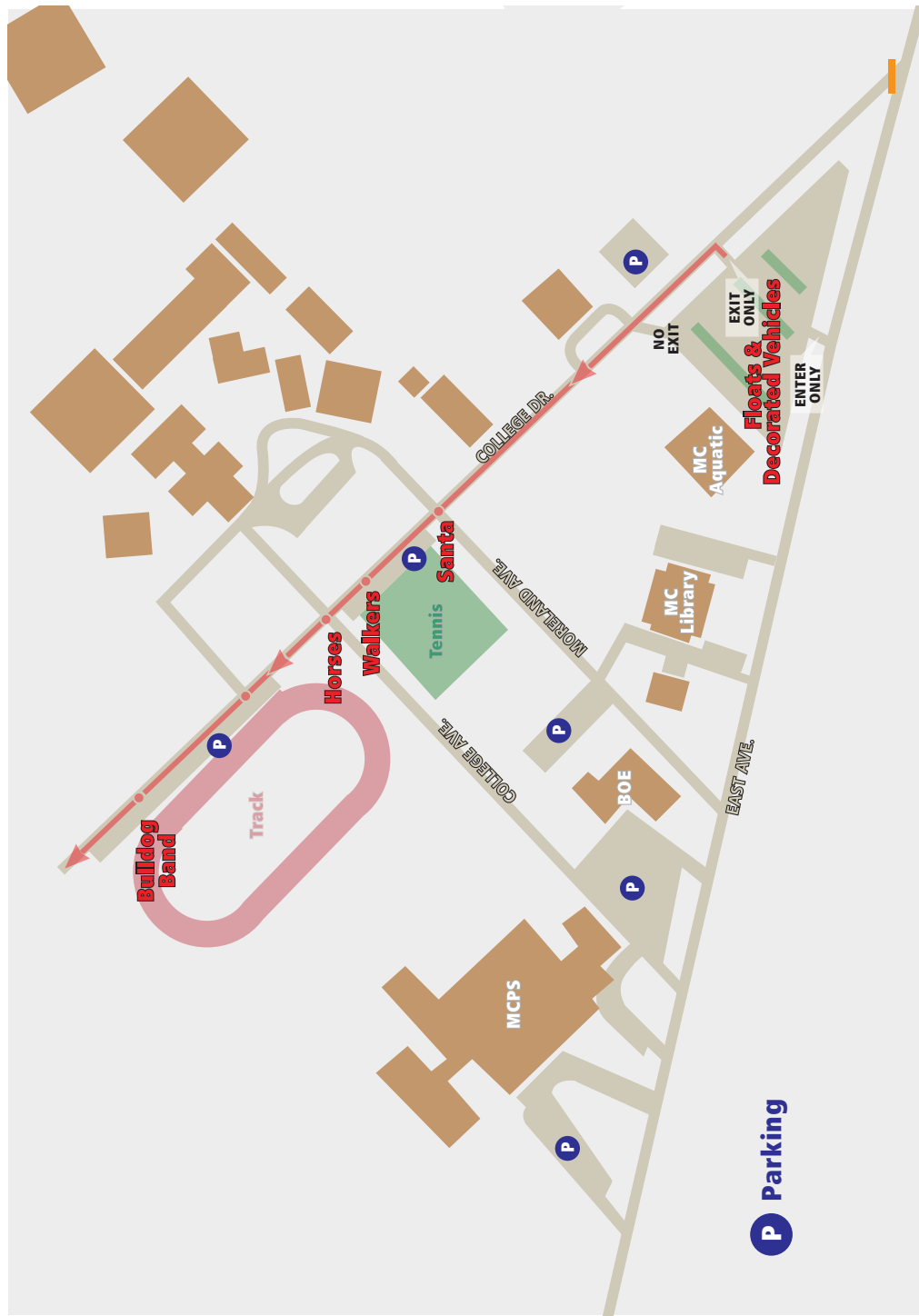
**Viewing.** Tell everyone you know that the best parade viewing area will be along N. Main St. from College Dr. to Jefferson St., and on W. Jefferson St. from N. Main St. to N. 2nd St.

For questions or clarification on any of the Rules & Guidelines, please contact Colleen Hall at Madison Main Street at (706) 342-1251 ext 208 or [chall@madisonga.com](mailto:chall@madisonga.com). This pdf is available at [www.MainStreetMadisonGA.com](http://www.MainStreetMadisonGA.com)



# 2019 Parade Staging & Line up along College Dr.

## Staging



The MCHS Student Parking Lot isn't available this year so we're **spreading out to stage the parade**. Please use this map to figure out where you check in. For questions or clarification, please contact Colleen Hall at Madison Main Street at (706) 342-1251 ext. 208 or [chall@madisonga.com](mailto:chall@madisonga.com).

**All floats & decorated vehicles stage and sign in at MC Aquatic Center Lot with parade vehicles entering off East Ave.** Any non-parading vehicles need to park in an off site lot (these are marked with a blue dot on the map above map-MCES, BoE, MCPS, Rec. Dept., the track, or tennis court/BoE lot on Moreland.)

**Walkers line-up and check-in at the tennis courts.** Walkers will feed in to the parade from there. Walkers should park in one of the nearby (blue dot) parking lots.

**Horse entries line-up and check-in at the corner of College Ave. & College Dr.** Mounted riders will feed in to the parade from College Ave. Horse vehicles should park in the BOE parking lot at the end of College Ave. and walk up to College Dr. to check in, you will feed in from there.

**Bulldog Band should line-up and check-in at the track.** The band will exit the big gate and feed in to the parade from there. Band member vehicles should park at MCHS.

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