

BEWARE OF THE BODS™



2024 Washburn University Homecoming

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To register for events, go to: www.washburn.edu/homecoming

Homecoming Hashtag: #WashburnHomecoming

To: Washburn Student Organizations
Washburn Faculty/Staff
Community Members & Alumni

From: 2024 Homecoming Committee

Re: Homecoming Registration Packet

Homecoming is just around the corner and the 2024 Homecoming Committee is very excited about all the activities offered this year. This year's homecoming theme is **BEWARE of the BODS**. The committee is working diligently to organize a full week of fun events for the campus, community, and alumni.

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Informational meetings regarding Homecoming 2024 will be held at 5:00pm on Monday, August 26th in BTAC and 5:00pm on Wednesday, August 28th in BTAC. Guidelines and registration for events can be found at www.washburn.edu/homecoming.

The following packet contains the homecoming schedule and event rules. This information is also available online at www.washburn.edu/homecoming. In addition to awards and plaques for the individual competitions, the committee will be awarding Homecoming Grand Champion trophies to the winners of the fraternity and sorority categories.

The homecoming committee is again sponsoring the Hat Decorating Contest. We encourage students, faculty, staff, student organizations, and university offices to decorate a top hat focusing on the 2024 Homecoming theme: BEWARE of the BODS.

The Homecoming Parade has made its return, and we strongly encourage departments, offices, student organizations, and the community to participate. Please consider registering in one of the four categories. Read more about the variety of entries in the Parade section of the packet.

Campus voting for Ichabods of Honor will be available at **9:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 29, 2024, until 1:00 p.m. Friday, November 1st** on the front page of www.washburn.edu/homecoming. Each student will get one chance to vote for 3 different people. The Ichabods of Honor will be announced at half-time of the football game.

Please review carefully all forms and rules, taking special note of deadlines and if you have any questions, please contact the Student Life office at (785)-670-2100, or email homecoming@washburn.edu.

Calendar of Events

August 26, 2024.....	Informational Meeting, 5:00 p.m. BTAC
August 28, 2024.....	Informational Meeting, 5:00 p.m. BTAC
September 16, 2024.....	Ichabods of Honor Nominations due 5:00p.m.
September 23, 2024.....	Ichabods of Honor Letter of Recommendations due, 5:00p.m.
September 27, 2024.....	Ichabods of Honor - Interview Sign Up deadline, 5:00p.m.
September 30, 2024 – October 3, 2024	Ichabods of Honor Interviews Memorial Union
October 4, 2024.....	Online Registration due 5:00p.m. Top Hats, Lawn Boards, Office Decorating, Residence Desk Decorating, Rising Stars Variety Show, Yell Like Hell, Parade
October 7, 2024	Pick up Top Hats - OSID
October 9, 2024	Pick up Lawn Boards - LLC Priority Seating Social Media Challenge begins at Noon
October 14-15, 2024.....	No School – Fall Break
October 28, 2024.....	Top Hats, Music, Lawn Boards (LLC) due, Noon Office of Student Involvement & Development
October 29, 2024.....	Hats on Display BSU Blood Drive, BTAC, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Top Hat Judging, 3:00 p.m. Rising Stars Variety Show, Washburn A/B Room, 6:00 p.m. Ichabods of Honor Announcement, Washburn A/B Room, 7:30 p.m. Ichabods of Honor voting begins on MyWashburn, 9:00 p.m.
October 30, 2024	Hats on Display Scorch on the Porch, Union and East Lawn 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Office Decoration Judging, 3:00 p.m. Halloween Movie Night at the Rec, SRWC gymnasium, 7:00 p.m. Ichabods of Honor voting on MyWashburn Continues
October 31, 2024.....	Hats on Display Organizations Boards on the Lawn Judging, 3:00 p.m. Residential Desk Judging, 4:00 p.m. Yell Like Hell Pep Rally, Lee Arena, 7:00 p.m. Ichabods of Honor voting on MyWashburn Continues
November 1, 2024.....	Ichabods of Honor voting ends at 1:00 p.m. A Party for Washburn, Lee Arena, 5:00 p.m.
November 2, 2024	Pancake Feed, BTAC, 8:00a.m. – 10:00 a.m. FSL Parade Line-up, 8:30 a.m. Remaining Parade Line-up, 9:00 a.m. Parade Begins, 10:00 a.m. Food Truck Festival and Homecoming Activities, Union East Lawn, 11:00 a.m. Homecoming Football Game – WU vs. University of Nebraska at Kearney, 1:00 p.m. Ichabods of Honor Announcement at Halftime / FSL Homecoming Grand Champions Announcement at 3 rd Quarter

August 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 5pm - Informational Meeting in BTAC	27	28 5pm - Informational Meeting in BTAC	29	30	31

September 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 5pm - Ichabods of Honor nominations due	17	18	19	20 Family Weekend Begins 7pm - The Great Dubois in White Concert Hall	21 10am - Family Weekend Activities on the Memorial Union East Lawn 1pm - Ichabod Football vs. Pittsburg State Univ.
22	23 5pm - Ichabods of Honor recommendation forms due	24	25	26	27 5pm - Ichabods of Honor Interview Sign Up Deadline	28
29	30 Ichabods of Honor interviews begin	1 Ichabods of Honor interviews continue	2 Ichabods of Honor interviews continue	3 Ichabods of Honor interviews end	4 5pm - Online Registration (online) due	5

October 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30 Ichabods of Honor interviews begin.	1 Ichabods of Honor interviews continue.	2 Ichabods of Honor interviews continue.	3 Ichabods of Honor interviews end.	4 5pm - Registration due (online) for: Lawn Boards, Res Living Desk Decor, Office Decor, Top Hats, Rising Star Variety Show, Yell Like Hell, and Parade	5
6	7 Pick up Top Hats from OSID	8	9 Pick up Lawn Boards from Living Learning Center. YLH Priority Seating Social Media Challenge begins	10	11	12 Fall Break begins
13 Fall Break	14 Fall Break	15 Fall Break	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 YLH Priority Seating Social Media Challenge ends	28 12pm - Hats & Music due at OSID office. Lawn Boards due at the Living Learning Center. Hats on display as they arrive to OSID.	29 10am-3pm - BSU Blood Drive in BTAC 3pm - Hat Judging 6pm - Ichabod Volleyball vs. Northwest Missouri State University 6pm - Rising Star Variety Show 7:30pm - Washburn A/B Ichabods of Honor Announced. 9pm - Ichabods of Honor Voting begins	30 Ichabods of Honor Voting continues 11am-1pm - Scorch on the Porch 3pm - Office Decoration Judging 6pm - Ichabod Volleyball vs. Missouri Western State University 7-9pm - Movie Night at the Rec	31 Ichabods of Honor Voting continues 3pm - Lawn Board Judging 4pm - Res Hall Desk Judging 7pm - Yell Like Hell in Lee Arena	1 1pm - Ichabods of Honor Voting ends 5pm - A Party for Washburn in Lee Arena 6pm - Ichabod Soccer vs. Northwest Missouri State	2 8-10am - Pancake Feed - BTAC 8:30am - FSL floats line-up 9am - Parade line-up 10am - Parade begins 11am-1pm - Homecoming Festivities on the Lawn 1pm - Homecoming game vs. University of Nebraska at Kearney - Announcements: Ichabods of Honor at halftime. Homecoming Week Winners at 3rd quarter.

Priority Seating

Show your hard work and group fun by posting on Instagram beginning **October 9th and leading up to Homecoming week**. On Instagram, use your organization account to post a photo/video/reel on your main feed. Tag @wubodtalk and aim for the most likes on your group's original post to secure your spot for the best seats in the house at Yell like Hell on **Thursday, October 31st at 7:00p.m.**

Spirit Week

1. Spirit week will take place from October 28th – November 1st, 2024.
2. Promote inclusivity and avoid outfits/costumes that may be culturally insensitive.
3. Document themes through photos and share them with Leah Jamison (wurelations@washburn.edu) and post them on Instagram with the hashtag #WashburnHomecoming.

Monday: Class Colors

Freshman – White

Sophomore – Navy

Junior – Orange

Senior – Black

Tuesday: Duo Day

Wednesday: Dress Like Adam Sandler Day

Thursday: Halloween Day

Friday: 'Wear Washburn'

Judging

1. Each event will be judged on the criteria listed in the Homecoming Registration Packet. All events will be scored by judges.
2. Judges will be given a range of points that can be allotted for each event. Points will then be tallied and put in rank order to determine the winner.
3. Points will be awarded, and plaques presented to the 1st place winners as stated in the packet.
4. The organization with the highest number of points at the end of Homecoming Week will be awarded the Grand Championship trophy in each fraternity and sorority categories.
5. Judges will be solicited through the Homecoming Judges Sub-committee.
6. Judges will be comprised of students, faculty, staff, and/or alumni of Washburn.
7. Decisions by the judges are final. There will be no appeals.
8. After the judging has been completed for an event approaching judges will not be allowed.
9. Concerns, suggestions, and questions may be addressed, in writing, to the Homecoming Judges Sub-committee and delivered to the Office of Student Life.
10. You may use the following sheet for tracking your organization's earned points.

2024 FSL Homecoming Grand Champion Score Sheet

Organization Name: _____

Organization Boards on the Lawn - Fraternity/Sorority	
1 st Place - 20 points	
2 nd Place - 17 points	
3 rd Place - 14 points	
Top Hat Decorating – Fraternity/Sorority	
1 st Place - 20 points	
2 nd Place - 17 points	
3 rd Place - 14 points	
Variety Show – Fraternity/Sorority	
1 st Place - 10 points	
2 nd Place - 7 points	
3 rd Place - 4 Points	
Yell Like Hell – Fraternity/Sorority	
1 st Place – 25 points	
2 nd Place – 20 points	
3 rd Place – 15 points	
Parade – Fraternity/Sorority	
1 st Place – 30 points	
2 nd Place – 25 points	
3 rd Place – 20 points	

Ichabods of Honor
Nomination of Candidates & Selection

Nominating Candidates:

1. Registered student organizations may nominate two candidates. Only one can be from their designated organization. All nominees must be a part of a registered student organization.
2. Each candidate must complete the nomination form and submit it to the Ichabods of Honor committee.
3. The committee will verify all information including candidate's cumulative grade point average, number of credit hours earned, and student conduct status.
4. Candidates must currently be a full-time student at Washburn University.

Candidate Requirements:

1. Must be nominated by a Washburn University registered student organization, **with an accurate current roster**.
2. Must be a student in good standing, enrolled at Washburn, and have earned a minimum of 72 credit hours. A minimum of 24 hours must be from Washburn.
3. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 2.85 or above.
4. Must complete a nomination form and allow university personnel to verify all information including grades, credit hours, conduct status, and overall university status. A resume is required when submitting the nomination form, along with the name of who you prefer to submit your letter of recommendation.
5. Must be willing to allow your picture and biographical information to be used for the promotion of the Ichabods of Honor during homecoming activities.
6. Must participate in a personal interview with a committee of judges.
7. Must participate in homecoming activities such as the Variety Show, Yell Like Hell, Parade, and the half-time ceremony of the football game. May also be asked to participate in other homecoming and Alumni activities throughout the week.
8. **Candidates may not be nominated by more than one student organization.**

Selection of Ichabods of Honor:

1. A committee of judges will review candidate materials. The candidate materials will be 25% of the final decision.
2. A committee of judges will interview all candidates and rate them based on established guidelines. The interview will consist of 25% of the final Ichabods of Honor decision.
3. The top-rated candidates will be chosen as finalists.
4. Only finalists may be voted as Homecoming Ichabods of Honor.
5. The Ichabods of Honor (3 candidates) will be selected by a combination of the scores received through the resume/letter of recommendation, interview, and voting process (50% of the final decision).
6. Students may vote for three Ichabods of Honor candidates and may only vote once.
7. Nominees will be introduced, and the Homecoming Ichabods of Honor finalists will be announced at the Rising Stars Variety Show.
8. The Ichabod of Honor, 1st runner up and 2nd runner up will be announced during halftime of the football game.
9. In the event of a tie, the Ichabod of Honor will be chosen based on student body vote score.

Campaigning:

1. Candidates, nominating organizations, etc. cannot put any monetary resources into campaigning. However, acceptable forms of advertising for candidates include social media posts, chalking, word of mouth, etc.
2. Pictures and biographical information about each finalist, as well as voting information, will be posted in prominent places on campus and in university publications to promote interest in homecoming.

Nomination Forms Due:

Ichabods of Honor Nominations are due September 16, 2024, by 5pm. The Ichabods of Honor Recommendation Letters will be due September 23, 2024, by 5pm.

LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

All candidates nominated must complete the Ichabods of Honor Nomination Form. This form can be found at www.washburn.edu/homecoming.

Ichabods of Honor Timeline

<u>Interview Sign Up Deadline:</u>	Friday, September 27 at 5pm
<u>Candidate Interviews:</u>	Monday, September 30 – Thursday, October 3 , Memorial Union.
<u>Ichabods of Honor Announcement:</u>	Tuesday, October 29, 2024, during the Rising Stars Variety Show , Washburn A/B Room
<u>All Campus Voting:</u>	Visit www.washburn.edu/homecoming starting at 9:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 29 – Friday, November 1 at 1:00 p.m.
<u>Homecoming Week Activities:</u>	Tuesday, October 29 – Saturday, November 2, 2024
<u>Homecoming Ceremony:</u>	Saturday, November 2, 2024 The Ichabod of Honor, 1 st runner up, and 2 nd runner up will be announced during halftime of the football game.

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Hat Decorating Contest

This competition is for the following categories: (1) student organizations and (2) fraternity/sorority chapters and (3) all other Washburn community members (e.g. academic departments, offices, and individuals). All are encouraged to decorate top hats provided by the Office of Student Involvement and Development (OSID). **Top hats can be picked up from OSID beginning Monday, October 7th.**

Entry Form Due: **Friday, October 4, 2024, by 5:00pm - late registrations will not be accepted**
Registration online at: www.washburn.edu/homecoming

Hats Due: Hats must be submitted (completely dry) to the Office of Student Involvement and Development for display in Memorial Union on **Monday, October 28, 2024, at Noon.**

Judging Date: **Tuesday, October 29, 2024, 3:00 p.m.**

Requirements: Hats must meet the following qualifications:

1. Size limit: 18" wide x 18" long x 24" high
2. Sturdy construction to minimize damage in the moving of hats for display purposes
3. Glitter, food items, or candy are not permitted to use in decoration
4. Decorated using the homecoming theme: BEWARE of the BODS

Disqualification: Hats will be disqualified for each of the following reasons:

1. Profanity
2. Use of any design that is racially, sexually, religiously, or otherwise offensive
3. Depiction of firearms/related weaponry
4. Exceed size limits
5. Use of glitter, food, or candy
6. Failure to meet stated requirements

Judging and Scoring: Homecoming points and plaques will be awarded for the following categories.

- Fraternities
- Sororities
- Student Organizations
- Washburn Department/Individual

Judges for the hat decoration contest will be looking for the following qualities and rating on a scale from 1 to 10:

1. Requirements
2. Neatness
3. Originality or Creativity
4. Use of theme
5. Name of organization/department displayed

****If your group wants to keep the Top Hat they created following Homecoming week, it must be picked up from the Office of Student Involvement and Development by Noon on Monday, November 4th, 2024.**

ENTRY FORM DUE: Friday, October 4, 2024, by 5:00pm Please complete registration online at: www.washburn.edu/homecoming
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Variety Show – Rising Star

Entry Form Due: **Friday, October 4, 2024, by 5:00pm – late registrations will not be accepted**
Register online at: www.washburn.edu/homecoming

Event Date: **Tuesday, October 29, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in Washburn A/B**
Participants must be ready to perform at 5:45 p.m.

Requirements: Participants must meet the following qualifications:

1. Be a currently enrolled Washburn student or Washburn Faculty or Staff
 - a. Acts can have up to 5 people per performance
 - b. Examples include poetry, spoken word, playing an instrument, singing, dancing comedy, etc.
2. Only 1 act/entry is allowed to represent an organization
 - a. Students do not have to belong to an organization to participate
3. All music must be on a flash drive or thumb drive
 - a. **Music is due Monday, October 28 by noon to the Office of Student Involvement and Development – late music will not be accepted.**
4. Contestants may perform up to 6 minutes of material
 - a. A signal will be given at the 5-minute mark
 - b. Going over time will result in a set point deduction
5. Excessive or gratuitous use of offensive language is not permitted
 - a. Judges will disqualify the contestant and they will be asked to relinquish the microphone

Judging and Scoring: Only students will be judged and be eligible for points and prizes. The top three finishers will be determined by a celebrity judge panel and will be judged on the following:

1. Delivery: performer is confident & serious about their act
2. Enthusiasm: performance is energized & exciting
3. Performance quality: Well-rehearsed & prepared
4. Costume/Prop: brought props or dressed to compliment act
5. Appropriateness: content and language

Judges for Rising Stars will be rating on a scale from 1 to 10:

- 1st place = 10 points + prize
- 2nd place = 7 points + prize
- 3rd place = 4 points + prize

ENTRY FORM DUE: Friday, October 4, 2024, by 5:00pm Please complete registration at: www.washburn.edu/homecoming

Organization Boards on the Lawn

This competition is for all organizations. This competition consists of decorating a 32" x 48" wooden board to be displayed on the East Lawn by the Memorial Union. **Lawn Boards may be picked up in the LLC lobby beginning Wednesday, October 9th.**

Entry Form Due: **Friday, October 4, 2024, by 5:00pm - late registrations will not be accepted**
Register online at: www.washburn.edu/homecoming

Judging Date: **Thursday, October 31, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.**
Boards must be completed and dropped off to the Living Learning Center by **Monday, October 28th at Noon.**

Requirements: Chapter decorations must meet the following qualifications:

1. Dried and completed by noon
2. Size Limit: 32" x 48"
3. Decoration materials can be of the organization's choosing
4. Related to the homecoming theme
5. Created and built by currently enrolled Washburn students
6. Waterproofed (using scotch guard spray, permanent paints, etc.)
7. Chapter name/letters displayed, Organization/Club name
8. Washburn spirit, Ichabod pride, or homecoming theme displayed
9. Decorate one-side, other side single-colored. Add organization/letters on back
10. Battery packs are permitted but not plug-in

Disqualification: Chapter decorations will be disqualified for each of the following reasons:

1. Profanity
2. Use of any design that is racially, sexually, religiously, or otherwise offensive
3. Depiction of firearms or related weaponry
4. Use of skits or individuals as part of decoration
 - a. Example: singing or playing instruments by members
5. Failure to meet stated requirements

Judging and Scoring: Judges for the chapter decoration contest will be looking for the following qualities:

1. Requirements
2. Neatness
3. Originality and creativity
4. Use of theme
5. Use of name of chapter letters/name and Washburn spirit and/or Ichabod pride

Judges for the chapter decoration competition will be rating on a scale from 1 to 10:

- 1st place = 20 points + plaque
- 2nd place = 17 points
- 3rd place = 14 points

****If your group wants to keep the Lawn Board they created following Homecoming week, it must be picked up from the East Union Lawn by Noon on Monday, November 4th, 2024.**

ENTRY FORM DUE: Monday, October 4, 2024, by 5:00pm Please complete registration at: www.washburn.edu/homecoming

Residence Desk Decorations

Entry Form Due: **Monday, October 4, 2024, by 5:00pm - late registrations will not be accepted**
Register online at: www.washburn.edu/homecoming

Judging Date: **Thursday, October 31, 2024, 4:00 p.m.**

Information: All buildings will use front desk and common area to decorate

Requirements: Decorations must meet the following qualifications:

1. Completed by 4:00 p.m. on October 31
2. Submission specifies which residents will be helping with the decoration
3. Must relate to the homecoming theme
4. Any decorations in hallways will not be included in judging
5. Decorations displayed throughout homecoming week
6. Decorations created by the student/s who live in building area

Disqualifications: Decorations will be disqualified for each of the following reasons:

1. Profanity
2. Use of any design that is racially, sexually, religiously, or otherwise offensive
3. Depiction of firearms or related weaponry
4. Use of skits or individuals as part of decoration
 - a. Example: singing or playing instruments by members
5. Failure to meet stated requirements

Judging and Scoring: Judges for the decoration contest will be looking for the following qualities:

1. Requirements
2. Neatness
3. Originality and creativity
4. Use of theme
5. Use of name of Washburn spirit and/or Ichabod pride

Judges for the decoration competition will be rating on a scale from 1 to 10:

- 1st place = plaque

ENTRY FORM DUE: Friday, October 4, 2024, by 5:00pm
Please complete registration at: www.washburn.edu/homecoming

Yell Like Hell Competition

In this competition, groups are encouraged to make up a dance routine and chant to compete with other organizations at the Yell Like Hell Competition.

Entry Form Due: **Friday, October 4, 2024, by 5:00pm - late registrations will not be accepted**
Register online at: www.washburn.edu/homecoming

Event Date: **Thursday, October 31, 2024, at 7:00pm in Lee Arena**

Requirements: Performances must meet the following qualifications:

1. There are Three (3) categories for this event:
 - a. University organizations: residence halls, student organizations, faculty/staff, etc.
 - i. Collaboration of organizations and/or residence halls/floors is encouraged
 - b. Fraternity/Sorority: FSL groups will be paired up
 - c. Athletics: Washburn University Athletic teams.
2. Each organization will be allowed only one entry
 - a. The entry must designate which category they are entering.
3. All music must be on a Thumb Drive or Flash Drive
 - a. **Music is due Monday, October 28 by noon to the OSID Office**
 - b. Music will begin when group walks on the court
4. Members of each group must be currently enrolled Washburn students
 - a. **A roster of all participants must be submitted to the Student Life Office or homecoming@washburn.edu by 12:00 p.m. (Noon) the day of event**
5. Each entry is required to complete a dance routine + a chant.
6. Time limit: 5 minutes
 - a. Time begins when group walks on the court
7. Groups of more than 25 people may participate/be on the court during the performance, but they will **NOT** be judged.
8. Props and signs are allowed
 - a. Performances cannot throw, blow, or spray any items on or from the dance floor
 - i. Example: silly string, confetti, glitter, etc.

Disqualification: Performances will be disqualified for each of the following reasons:

1. Profanity
2. Use of any design that is racially, sexually, religiously, or otherwise offensive
3. Depiction of firearms or related weaponry
4. Failure to meet stated requirements

Judging and Scoring: Judges for Yell Like Hell will be looking for the following qualities:

1. Creativity
2. Crowd participation
3. Synchronization of movements
4. Incorporation of the theme

Judges for Yell Like Hell will be rating on a scale from 1 to 25:

- 1st place = 25 points + plaque
- 2nd place = 20 points
- 3rd place = 15 points

ENTRY FORM DUE: Friday, October 4, 2024, by 5:00pm
Please complete registration at: www.washburn.edu/homecoming

Parade Competition

Entry Form Due: **Friday, October 4, 2024, by 5:00pm - late registrations will not be accepted**
Register online at: washburn.edu/homecoming

Event Date: **Saturday, November 2, 2024**

Event Time: **8:30 a.m.** – line up for fraternity and sorority floats
9:00 a.m. – line up for remaining floats and participants
10:00 a.m. – Parade start time

Line-up Location: Washburn Village Parking Lot #7

- Floats will enter the parking lot at 19th and MacVicar
 - Do not attempt to enter the parking lot at 20th and MacVicar
- Check-in and then be placed in the line-up
- Category dependent parking information will be distributed prior to the parade date

Categories:

Large Float: \$1,000 reward to the winning student organization

- Any vehicle towing a trailer will be considered a large float
- Trailer must be no larger than 25 feet long and 11 feet wide
- The height of any float should not be greater than 13 ½ feet from the ground
 - Including people if standing on elevated portions of the float.

Mini Float: \$500 reward to the winning student organization

- Any decorated vehicle including, but not limited to, cars, trucks, vans, and SUVs

Band:

- A group of musicians who perform during the parade.

Walker:

- Any person or group may walk in the parade
- Walkers are encouraged to carry signs, hand out candy, and/or dress in costumes related to the homecoming theme or Washburn pride

Requirements:

Parade entries must meet the following qualifications:

1. Be in parade line-up at assigned time
2. Name of the student organization/department displayed
3. Washburn spirit, Ichabod pride, or homecoming theme displayed
4. Decoration of entry can be of the organization's choosing
 - a. Be creative; we encourage the use of streamers, balloons, signs, and other appropriate theme related decorations
 - b. Dogs/pets must be in a vehicle or on a leash
5. All floats must be viewable for visitors on both sides of the street
6. Floats are NOT to stop during the parade route, unless to prevent injuring a participant or attendant of the parade

Disqualifications:

Parade entries will be disqualified for each of the following reasons:

1. Profanity
2. Use of any design that is racially, sexually, religiously, or otherwise offensive
3. Depiction of firearms/related weaponry
4. Failure to meet stated requirements

Judging and Scoring:

Judging location and set-up:

- The judging table will be located in front of BTAC facing Jewell Ave.
 - Judging takes place as the float passes the judging table – **Go by slow, but no stopping**
- Judges will see the passenger side of all vehicles/floats
- All floats will be measured in the Village parking lot #7

Judges for the Parade will be looking for the following qualities:

1. Use of Washburn spirit, Ichabod pride, or homecoming theme
2. Originality and creativity
3. Design
4. Entertainment/special effects
5. Durability, material quality, and workmanship

Point deductions will occur for:

1. Arriving Late (10 points)
2. Exceeding length and/or height requirements (5 points)
3. Floats that are only decorated on one side of the float. (10 points)

Awards for the judging of the parade will be as follows:

- 1st place Large Float = \$1,000 + plaque
- 1st place Mini Float = \$500 + plaque
- 1st place Band = plaque
- 1st place Walker(s) = plaque

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