

Sun Prairie Sweet Corn Festival Parade Guidelines

Thursday, August 20, 2020



2020 Parade Guidelines are established for the benefit and safety of all. Please follow instructions from Parade Officials--volunteers identified with vests and/or volunteer shirts—and Police Department Employees regarding lineup, safety guidelines and traffic control.

CHECK-IN & LINE-UP Starts at 5:00 pm

Location: Linnerud Drive to School Street, entry to Cardinal Heights Upper Middle School (CHUMS).

PARADE BEGINS with color guard, emergency vehicles and banner identifying Parade Sponsors.

PARADE LINE-UP: First-come basis. Line-up starts with check-in by Parade Officials at the Linnerud Drive and School Street entry to CHUMS. Parade units will be directed to the start position. You will be given a slip at check-in; you will need this slip at the parade line up.

NOTE: The Parade Committee reserves the right to select units that participate in the Parade and to place accepted Parade entries in the line-up.

Access to Kroncke Dr. and to Commercial Ave. will be restricted to residents and business traffic during Parade line-up and Parade time.

No Restrooms or portable toilets are available in the line-up areas.

HANDOUTS: If your parade entry chooses to hand out candy, information and/or other items, **you must walk the curb line** for distribution. **Parade units found throwing candy or other items will not be invited back.**

DESIGNATE A MEETING PLACE: Arrange for a meeting place where your group may assemble in advance of line-up and return at the end of the Parade. Inform all participants and families in advance where Parade participants may be dropped off or where families may park while waiting for the Parade unit group to arrive.

The **Parade Committee** strongly recommends that groups meet in the parking lot of the **Family Aquatic Center (FAC)**, corner of Linnerud Dr. and S. Bird St, where Kobussen shuttle buses will be available to transport participants to the front entrance of Cardinal Heights Upper Middle School (CHUMS).

Kobussen Buses will shuttle parade participants and spectators before and after the Parade.

5:00 – 5:45 from Family Aquatic Center to front entrance of Cardinal Heights Upper Middle School (CHUMS).

AFTER the Parade meet the shuttle bus at Bristol St. and Linnerud Dr. in the parking lot in front of the Sun Prairie City Service Center, 201 S. Bristol St. The shuttle will return to the Family Aquatic Center.

NOTE: Commercial Ave., Kroncke Dr. and CHUMS parking lot are not acceptable meeting places for cars to drop off participants, park or wait for groups to assemble. Ample parking is not available in these areas for all individuals and cars moving in and out. These can be dangerous areas for young Parade participants.

ANIMAL UNITS: Prepare for your own cleanup on the line-up and Parade route. Animal units will not be allowed to start the Parade route without this provision.

Alcoholic beverages are not allowed anywhere during the line-up or on the Parade route.

DRIVING/WALKING Major Parade Route: 700 Block of Main Street to Market Street and Linnerud (less than one mile). **The #1 Complaint of Parade spectators: “Long Breaks in the Parade.”** Help us correct this! Vehicles in the Parade should proceed at a slow, appropriately-spaced pace throughout the Parade. **Do not stop** once your unit has started to move through the Parade route.

PARADE OFFICIALLY ENDS when your Parade unit reaches Linnerud Drive. Once your unit has reached the end of the Main Street Parade Route and turned onto Market St., **do not stop**, particularly on Market St., **to avoid congestion continue moving down to Linnerud Dr., then directly to your designated meeting spot.**

LOUD motors, tire screeching, abrupt stops, tailgating other vehicles or other unsafe activities are not permitted.

NOTE: FAILURE to follow these 2020 Parade Guidelines may result in immediate removal from the Parade or the unit not being allowed to participate the following year.