

Bringing Christmas to Rustburg

**Official 2023 Rustburg Christmas Parade
Participant Registration Form**

Parade Date: December 10, 2023 at 3 pm

Rain Date: December 17, 2023 at 3 pm

Website: www.RustburgChristmasParade.com

Email: rustburgparade@gmail.com

Facebook: [Rustburg Christmas Parade](#)

*Participants Meeting is December 5th at 7:00 pm at the Rustburg Ruritan Building. A representative from every entry must attend this meeting to pick up your parade day entry numbers. Numbers will **NOT** be given out on parade day.*

One Application Per Entry – due w/ payment by Nov. 28, 2023.

PO Box 268, Rustburg, VA 24588

Rustburg Christmas Parade is an entertainment event designed to appeal to families and to bring the community and region together. This purpose should be the goal when planning and designing entries. Only parade appropriate music is allowed please. The parade will not be a forum for intolerance, political, or social messages.

Please print clearly:

Official Organization Name: _____

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

\$10 Fee Per Entry

Please provide a brief description of your entry including the number of people (one vehicle equals one entry):

The Rustburg Christmas Parade Committee reserves the right to approve or deny entry to the parade. There will be no refund of an entry fee, if cancellation is necessary for ANY reason after acceptance into the parade is confirmed by the parade committee. You should retain parade rules and instructions and read carefully as this will be a helpful guideline in making your day go smoothly. The parade is for everyone’s enjoyment. Please follow the rules set by the Committee and help make this year’s event the best ever! We ask that you use patience before and after the parade. We want everyone to have a safe and enjoyable time.

FOR PARADE USE	
PAID	CASH
	CHECK AMOUNT CHECK #

HOLD HARMLESS AND MEDIA RELEASE AGREEMENT
(This must be returned with Application)

In consideration of the benefits derived and in view of the fact that Rustburg Christmas Parade, Inc. (hereinafter, "PARADE") is a charitable, religious, educational and scientific purposed organization, that my/my child's participation in the 2023 Rustburg Christmas Parade is voluntary, and having full confidence that every reasonable precaution is to be taken by PARADE to ensure the safety and well-being of me/my child by PARADE, I hereby give permission and approval for our parade applicant to participate in all activities associated with the aforesaid 2023 Rustburg Christmas Parade, including transportation to, during and from the 2023 Rustburg Christmas Parade.

I agree to hold harmless and waive any and all causes of action or claims against the directors, officers, members, volunteers and agents of PARADE, as well as the leaders, responsible adults, representatives and adult volunteers participating with PARADE APPLICANT during this event, as well as any organizations, companies and their directors, officers, members, volunteers and agents that are donating their time, premises, employees, volunteers, property, etc., to the success and safety of this event, which may arise in connection with the 2023 Rustburg Christmas Parade.

I further understand that certain risks and hazards may be present when participating in courses and activities of this event. These may include, but not be limited to, injuries, illness or death, or property damage and/or loss, incurred while traveling to/from/during the 2023 Rustburg Christmas Parade, otherwise participating in and during this event. I certify that I am aware of the nature and type of such activities and in consideration for the benefits to be received from my/my child's participation in the same, acknowledge and accept the potential for such risks, as well as agreeing to the conditions for participation in the same. I am the official representative of the organization named above. On behalf of the organization, I acknowledge our responsibilities as set out in the Waiver Agreement and Parade Rules and Guidelines.

The undersigned voluntarily consents to use of participants' photographs, names, images and likenesses (recordings), and waives and releases the Rustburg Christmas Parade Committee from any and all claims, causes, damages, liabilities and/or actions arising there from and/or relating thereto, whatsoever, provided said use shall be for non-commercial purposes in connection with advertising, administrative, programmatic and promotional activities and materials. In connection therewith, participant grants a royalty-free, irrevocable permission to use, reproduce, publish, broadcast and distribute the recordings.

Name of Parade Applicant (Print)

Name of Contact Person for Organization

Signature of Contact Person for Organization

Date

12th Annual Rustburg Christmas Parade

Parade Rules and Guidelines (Please keep with your records)

- **There will be NO Parking and/or drop offs at Rustburg Ruritan Club, Rustburg Elementary School and/or Campbell County Rescue.**
- **Children are NOT to be left unattended before or after the event. Entries having children under age 18 must provide parents or other adult chaperones to walk alongside and supervise. There must be 1 chaperone for every 10 children present. This includes riding the shuttles buses or waiting on shuttle buses.** Any participants walking must be able to complete the parade route in 2 hours.
- Please be aware which lot your entry will be lined up in. The parade entry number will need to be visible on the right side so the judges will be able to view as they will be located in front of Rustburg Presbyterian Church.
- Shuttle Buses will be provided for parade participants/chaperones only from Rustburg High School to Rustburg Elementary School. Shuttles will run from 12:00pm - 2:00pm. The shuttle buses will run from Social Services parking lot back to Rustburg High School after the parade is over.
- Candy/other items can be handed out or gently tossed, but not thrown from any vehicle or float. This is a safety issue and advised per VDOT. Failure to adhere to this regulation will result in the entry being banned for one year from the Rustburg Christmas Parade.
- All livestock entries are required to have someone following along to clean up behind the livestock in lineup as well as during the parade. Participants with animals are responsible for their own transportation to the parade line up area.
- Trash bins will be provided in the Social Services parking lot if needed to dispose of your float decorations. Please help keep this parking lot and all other areas clean and neat.
- Village Highway will be opened if necessary to emergency service personnel.
- All entries must have current personal liability insurance.
- No hot rodding, hot shots or wheelies will be allowed during the parade. This rule is in place to protect spectators and failure to adhere to this will result in the entry being banned for one year from the Rustburg Christmas Parade. Please use common sense for the safety and enjoyment of all spectators for the event.
- There will be no movement from a truck to a trailer. No one is allowed to ride on a running board, hood, roof, or vehicle fender.
- Materials used in each entry should be fire retardant and not of dangerous nature. An on-board fire extinguisher is required. All wiring must be properly secured to prevent mechanical damage and injury to entry riders. All connections must be made with UL-approved electrical boxes or devices.
- Portable generators or compressors, car batteries used on the float must be securely mounted on a vehicle or other substantial base. A minimum of 12 inches clearance must separate any part of the generator/compressor from combustible fabrication material.

Certificates will be given out based on the following with 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place except as listed:

- Judges' Choice Award (first place only)
- Best Vehicle Award
- Best Float Award
- Best Marching Unit Award
- Best Religious Entry
- Best Business Entry
- Best Civic Entry

The 1st place winner of each category will have the entry fee waived for next year's parade.