



CELEBRATE WITH US THE MILLCREEK 4th OF JULY PARADE

The 2019 Parade Committee invites you to be considered for participation in this 4th of July event, the largest and most respected parade of its kind in Western Pennsylvania. This event grows every year due mainly to the involvement of spectators and participants alike, all who truly enjoy the experience and wish to honor our country in this grand tradition.

The basics are:

- As tradition dictates, The Parade will be on the Fourth of July as always! Remember that the Fourth falls on a **Thursday** this year. **Please Plan Accordingly.**
- All potential participants are required, as part of the application, to provide a **brief outline** of their plans for the parade. **All event units must** incorporate into their presentation a patriotic theme which exemplifies the 4th of July spirit. Vehicles and/or floats without the theme **will be unacceptable.** The use of your name and logo on the unit is acceptable.
- We are given a **limited time to put on the parade** due to PennDOT rules. Please understand that although we try to accept most applications we do give priority to those who plan on doing the most, Please include **anything special** that will stand out about your group.
- The following **application must be filled out using your computer.** It is important to thoroughly read and, if necessary, ask questions about anything contained on this or the subsequent pages. The **final cutoff for applications to be received is June 21st, 2019.** Please **DO NOT WAIT** until the last moment.
- **All applications** are required to be filled out completely, Please don't forget this years application is (2) two pages. Do not leave any field blank!
- **HANDWRITTEN APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

Please include a \$25.00 check (an offset to help with parade expenses) payable to "Millcreek 4th of July Parade" and enclose it along with your application, **mailing both as quickly as possible.** We look forward to your participation in making this one of the best Millcreek 4th of July Parades ever!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ryan Flick".

The Parade Committee
Ryan Flick, Chairman

Some participation specifics are:

- **Keep** the “Information about the group...” section of the application relevant and brief so that the emcees can properly announce the entry from the reviewing stand.

- **Within one week** of your application being approved a representative will call to confirm, and if necessary, later keep you informed of any changes and/or important information.

- **Between June 26th and June 30th** a unit marshal will provide you with your preset starting position and location. The information will also be available at www.themillcreekparade.com under the heading “parade lineup” **no later than June 30th**

- **Participant Entrance to the Parade route** for all Divisions is at West 12th and Peninsula Drive. Divisions 1 & 2 will arrive between 8:15-9:00 a.m. Divisions 3 & 4 will arrive between 8:45-9:30 a.m.

- **FAILURE TO ARRIVE ON TIME** could result in the forfeiture of participation. All units in Divisions 1 & 2 must be in place by 9:15 a.m. All units in Divisions 3 & 4 must be in place by 9:45 a.m.

- **The parade will start promptly at 9:45 a.m.** The parade route is approximately 1 mile along West 12th Street from Marshall Dr. to Grant Ave.

- **Keep anything** (candy, necklaces, etc.) **thrown to spectators** off the road so that individuals don’t run out in front of any Parade unit(s) to retrieve those items. Make every effort not to hit anyone observing this event with the items.

- **JUDGING CRITERIA** (consideration for awards to be presented):
 1. Appearance
 2. Presentation
 3. Form
 4. Theme: 4th of July appropriate
 5. Music: 4th of July appropriate

Scoring: 0–5 points in each category (25 points maximum)



APPLICATION

I / we, _____, would like to participate in the Millcreek Township 4th of July Parade (Thursday, July 4, 2019). I / we agree to the times specified in the accompanying letter for entrance to the Parade route (West 12th Street just west of Peninsula Drive) and being in position. I / we also understand that FAILURE TO ABIDE BY ANY OF THE PARADE REQUIREMENTS as set forth in the accompanying letter and this application may result in our forfeiture of participation.

My/our group will be competing for a prize in the _____ category.

- Color Guard
- Marching Band
- Volunteer Fire Dept.
- Float
- Animal Act
- Walking Group
- Entertainment Group
- Automotive/ Motorized Group
- Drill/Dance/Cheerleading Team

Approximate number of participants _____

Describe the entry: Briefly outline your unit and plans:

Name of the Group: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Contact Person: _____ Email Address: _____

Contact #: _____ Best Time to Call: _____

I understand that any items thrown or given to spectators are to be kept past the white (sidelines) to prevent a child or adult from running into the path of a vehicle ___ yes ___ no

I agree to abide by all parade rules and obey all parade marshals directions ___ yes ___ no

Signature: _____ Date: _____

To prevent delay or rejection of your application please double check that all sections including the next page have been fully filled out

Group Name

Announcement

Information about my/our group (relevant, but brief) for emcees announcement at review stand