# Middletown Holiday Home Tour
# Homeowner Guidelines
# 2026

The Middletown Holiday Home Tour has been a fun tradition in Middletown for over 20 years! All the ticket sales go straight to the Middletown Area Blue Raiders Foundation's IEP Scholarship Program.

This year's Home Tour is scheduled for December 12th from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., and we're expecting about 50 to 100 guests.

Feel free to show off as much or as little of your home as you'd like!

**Guests** are informed of the rules below on their Ticket:

- Homeowners may request that shoes be removed before entering the home.
- No pets or smoking are allowed inside Tour homes.
- The tour is on, rain, shine, or snow!
- Some homes may not be accessible with wheelchairs.

We'll need a picture of your home for the Tour program. If you have a great shot of the outside (maybe even decked out for the holidays), send it my way! If you have a favorite printed photo, I can scan it for you. Also, please provide a short write-up about your home for the program. We're happy to help with that too—just let us know! It would be awesome to get everything by November 1, 2026.

During the Tour, homeowners may show as much or as little of the home as you like. You may either lead groups around or let guests wander and explore at their own pace. If you're showing the second floor, having a buddy up there to direct guests is a good idea.

In past tours, some homeowners have offered light snacks like mulled cider, eggnog, hot chocolate, coffee, cookies, and candies. That's totally up to you! Feel free to play some holiday tunes or bring in a musician friend for live music. Get creative and have fun! Show off your collections; they don't have to be holiday themed. Homeowners have shared everything from train displays to antique collections to personal hobbies. If you've renovated your space, before-and-after pics are always a hit!

Stacey Miller, a local artist and art teacher, will be painting a watercolor of all the tour homes. If you're interested, you can display the artwork during the tour and even buy it from her. **This is totally optional!**

On Friday, December 11th, we'll have a pre-tour for homeowners and their helpers. This is a great way to check out each other's homes and test things out. We'll meet at the Event Place in downtown Middletown, 11 S. Union St., at 6:30 p.m. and visit the homes on the tour route.

Tour tickets will be available at the Event Place on the day of the Tour. If you're on Facebook, join our group page, **Middletown Holiday Home Tour**. Give a **Like** and **Share** to spread the word! We also have a website that has all the latest info:

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**www.MiddletownHolidayHomeTour.com**

Thank you so much for sharing your home and helping keep this event a Middletown Holiday Tradition. Your support will mean a lot to two special needs students graduating from the Middletown School District in 2027 as they continue their education. If you have any questions or need anything, don't hesitate to reach out!

Warm regards,

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