## FAQs about Parade Entries

- What time do I need to be at my spot in the lineup for the parade?
  - You will receive your staging group and check in time according to your assigned zone once the parade lineup is complete. This will happen approx. 1 week before the parade. However, some groups are required to show up before 8:30am due to parking in the Marston Loop. These groups are equestrian and school bands. The entry booth opens at 7am on parade day and closes at 10:15am. You cannot check in past 10am

First Staging Group: Zones 1-4 check in: 7:30am - 8:45am

Second Staging Group: Zones 5-6 check in: 8:30am - 9:45am

- When will the Final Entries List and the Parade Lineup be posted?
  - The Final Accepted Entries List will be posted one week after the application deadline. The Parade Lineup will be posted on the ICSC website/ sent by email one week before the parade to allow for small changes in the route. Your arrival zone time will be sent by email/posted on the ICSC website to allow for arrival time planning/staging.
- Where can I park, and can I have a parking pass?
  - We do not give out parking passes for entries. The only parking passes issued are for Dignitaries and on occasion, entries with special permission from the entry committee chair.
  - Parking can be found outside the parade route on the street or in parking lots. <u>www.stpatsparade.org/parade-location--route.html</u>
  - Additionally, there is a free trolley from Balboa Park parking lots.
    www.stpatsparade.org/parking--shuttle-routes.html
    - The following streets will be closed to traffic during the event from 6 am to 3 pm: Hawthorne, Ivy, Juniper, Kalmia, Laurel, Maple, Nutmeg, Olive, Palm, Quince, Redwood, Spruce, Thorn and Upas between 5th and 6th Avenues; 5th and 6th Avenues between Grape and Upas and Balboa Drive.
- Where do school buses/charter buses park and equestrian trailers?
  - We make room in the Marston Loop for buses and trailers. The entry committee will reach out to these groups regarding parking approximately the 1<sup>st</sup> week in March.
- Can I request to be by another entry in the parade?
  - Yes, however, this does not guarantee you will be together. We try to accommodate everyone to the best of our abilities.
- Can I make special requests of where I want to be in the parade?
  - Yes, however, there are special zones that are selected for certain groups to allow for staging. Additionally, we will try to not put a walking group after horses or animal groups near buses/cars however, we cannot guarantee this will not occur.

- Where do I check in on parade day?
  - One person from your group will need to check in on parade day at the Entries Table on the corner of 6<sup>th</sup> and Juniper St. During check-in you will receive your check-in number.
  - This number needs to be put on the **LEFT SIDE** and **IN FRONT** of the lead vehicle/person, so announcers can read these numbers as you come down the parade route.
  - Please bring tape/string/safety pins to attach the number. If needed, you can view a map and can be shown where to go for the staging of your entry.
- Can I drop off parade participants?
  - Yes, the best area for drop off is at the parade route closure border on the corner of 5<sup>th</sup> and Fir Street or alternatively on 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. You will need to let the route personnel know you are dropping off, so they let you stop to unload.