SALEM NH HOLIDAY PARADE UNIVERSAL PARTICIPANT FORM 2024

“The Nightmare Before Christmas”

Sunday December 1, 2024

**For use by the Holiday Parade Committee only.**

Float Number \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Circle: SCHOOL COMMUNITY VEHICLES COMMERCIAL DANCE

Organization Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Name or theme \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Description of group or float \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Participant highlights (who is walking today or who worked on the float etc.) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

# of people on float\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Will you have music on your float? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

How many years in the parade?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Has your organization won any awards in past Salem Holiday Parades or elsewhere?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \*\*What type of vehicle(s) will be used in the parade (for spacing and lining up)?

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Does your group have any special requests?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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PLEASE PROVIDE INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR GROUP FOR USE BY THE CABLE TELEVISION ANNOUNCERS AND OTHER MEDIA ON THE LAST PAGE OF THIS PACKET.

**RULES/GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE PARADE:**

**Absolutely no candy throwing is allowed (for insurance/safety reasons). You may HAND CANDY TO PEOPLE DIRECTLY, but it cannot be thrown into the crowd from your float or by people walking with your group (a child was crushed by a semi in another state when they ran out to get candy that was thrown- you are responsible for telling every member in your entry not to throw candy).**

Please do not include any live Santas on or around your float.

Floats must have 36” railings around the edges (insurance regulation).

If you are entering animals, you must have bags and a shovel to clean up after the animals.

We encourage the use of music on your float.

The parade route is Northeastern Boulevard, a left onto Main Street (Route 97), then a right onto Geremonty Drive to the high school. The route is generally flat.

The staging area for the parade is a business technology park on Northeastern Boulevard. Use 1 Northeastern Boulevard if using a GPS. However, all parade participants must enter the staging area at the entrance on Brookdale Road. Police officers will be directing you to Brookdale when you get to the Northeastern Boulevard area.

All parade participants must be at the staging area by 12:00pm. The parade steps off at 1:00pm. **Traffic gets very heavy at the staging area the closer we get to step off. Please allow plenty of time to get to the staging area and any set-up time that you may need.**

If you are entering a band or other large group, please have all band/group members dropped off at the staging area, then move your buses to the high school immediately.

A shuttle bus is available between the parade staging area and the high school. This shuttle is a courtesy – if you plan to drive to the high school then take the shuttle to the staging area, please do not wait until the last minute as you may not arrive at the staging area on time. The shuttle will be available from 9:00am-11:45am. Animals are not allowed on the shuttle bus.

This is a “rain or shine” parade. It is impossible to reschedule an event of this magnitude with the number of participants that we have. Please be prepared for the possibility of very cold

temperatures, rain, snow, etc. Only in the event of extremely inclement weather would the parade be canceled.

**Most importantly – have fun and we look forward to you celebrating the holiday season with us!!!**

**PLEASE LIST ANY INFORMATION FOR CABLE TELEVISION ANNOUNCERS AND/OR OTHER MEDIA HERE (Interesting facts, upcoming fundraisers your group needs help with, who worked on your float, what inspired your group’s theme, etc.)**