

2024 PARADE RULES & REGULATIONS

(Please read carefully before completing the application)

For safety reasons (to both spectators and parade participants) NO CANDY THROWING from floats or moving vehicles will be allowed. Candy or other handouts may be given by helpers alongside the parade float/vehicle/walkers only.

****** NO RAIN DATE ******

**DATE: Monday, January 15, 2024/ Time: Staging @ 8:00AM – Parade begins @ 10:00AM
PARADE ROUTE: Staging at Crooms Academy of Information Technology High School,
2200 Historic Goldsboro Boulevard - disbursement at Holly Avenue.**

1. This event is scheduled for the date and time listed above, the parade participant(s) agree that the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Steering Committee, Inc. will not be responsible for any loss caused by fire, flood, theft, rain, cold, fog, or any other elements of nature or man.
2. All entries must submit along with their application, a non-refundable parade entry fee of \$15 or the appropriate amount. Make Checks Payable to MLK Committee. Parade entry fee does not apply to Public/Private Schools.
3. No individual walking group/club/vehicle will be allowed to take part in the parade without the prior approval of the Parade Committee, who reserves the right to reject those entries not in compliance or do not adhere to the following regulations, (4 through 14).
4. Parade participants are required to present their identification tags/permits at all times. (City Permits will be given out during the staging time).
5. All individuals and organizations participating in the parade are subject, while in the City of Sanford, to obey the laws and regulations of the jurisdiction. Failure to adhere to those laws and regulations or to obey the lawful command of an official empowered to give such command, will cause immediate removal from the parade, and may be cause for arrest and/or fine.
6. Marshals assigned for this purpose will control the conduct and movement of the parade. Participants will obey the directions of the Marshals as it relates to the parade. Failure to do so will cause the offending individual, walking group or motorized vehicle to be removed from the parade.
7. Units may contain no element higher than thirteen feet (13'), to provide clearance of overhead wires and traffic lights.
8. All units with children under third-grade (3rd) level require that adults are stationed along the parade route to assist in the event young person become tired or require other attention.
9. For everyone's safety, no candy or any object will be thrown during the parade. No firecrackers, discharge of firearms or other pyrotechnic is allowable.
10. Individuals and organizations in the parade must perform courteously, in good taste and with safety in mind at all times during the formation, execution, and dismissal of the parade. There will be no persons hanging out of vehicle windows and/or doors.
11. To preserve the integrity of the parade, ONLY music that reflects the image of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. is allowable. Any other is grounds for removal from the parade.

12. Parade Units are limited to 30 seconds to perform in the designated Performance Zones. If you would like to show-off your talent longer than 30 seconds, please submit a completed Park Entertainment Participant application for Sanford's Got Talent. Visit: www.mlksanford.org for this application.

Performance Zones – after 30 second performance, please continue to move forward with parade procession

- Historic Goldsboro Blvd. and Oleander Avenue
 - Historic Goldsboro Blvd. and Olive Avenue
 - Historic Goldsboro Blvd. and William Clarke Avenue
13. All participants with a motorized vehicle (4-wheeler, motorcycle, ATV, UTV..etc.) must be 18+ years of age, have a valid driver's license, provide proof of auto insurance and registration.
14. All floats, marchers, and vehicular entries in the parade must be decorated and/or carry signs, banners, or other displays that reflect the parade theme of, **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**

TO ENSURE PROCESSING BY THE PARADE COMMITTEE, ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING:

1. **A completed Parade Application must be submitted to the Dr. MLK, Jr. Committee by parade entry deadline of Thursday, January 4, 2024.**
2. **Must include Parade Entry Fee of \$15 or appropriate amount when submitted. *(This requirement does not apply to public/private schools.)***
 - **Make checks pay able to MLK Committee**
 - **PayPal – Visit: www.mlksanford.org**
3. **For motorized vehicles: Copy of Auto Insurance, Driver's License, Registration must accompany application.**
4. **Must include a completed and signed Hold Harmless Agreement form, which is located on back of the application. *(This requirement does not apply to public/private schools.)***

Please mail all required entry information to: Dr. MLK, Jr. Committee, P.O. Box 500, Sanford, FL 32772

Questions, please contact - Mr. Kenneth Bentley at 321-262-5075 or [email: Info@mlksanford.org](mailto:Info@mlksanford.org)

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