

Wewoka Sorghum Festival
P.O. Box 1497 – Wewoka, OK 74884
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The Wewoka Sorghum Festival Committee would like to invite you to attend our annual Sorghum Festival and Parade on Saturday, October 28, 2023.

Time: The parade starts at **10:00 a.m.**

Line-up: The parade line-up is on old Highway 56. We ask that parade entries **arrive at 8:45 a.m. for line-up**, but you need to allow time for traffic. The parade route is approximately 7 blocks in length.

We know your participation in our parade would enhance it greatly. Come experience a good time with us at Wewoka Sorghum Festival.

Our festival includes food booths, arts & crafts, a car show, an art show, quilt show, sorghum bake off and free entertainment. All attractions are located from the Wewoka Chamber of Commerce 101 W. Park to Seminole Nation Museum 524 S. Wewoka Street.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Wewoka Chamber of Commerce at 405-257-5485, Wewoka City Hall at 405-257-2413 or Sorghum Office at 405-683-3636.

We look forward to having you participate in our Sorghum Festival Parade.

Important: Please read back of this page for parade rules.

Return application form by deadline if you wish to participate.

WEWOKA SORGHUM FESTIVAL PARADE RULES

Parade Date: Saturday, October 28, 2023, Application Deadline: October 20, 2023
Entries received after deadline may be placed at the end of the parade and not judged.

No entry may throw candy, gum, toys, pamphlets, or campaign materials from any vehicle.

These items **may be handed out** by people walking along the parade route. Suggested distance between entries is three car lengths. Keep parade moving slowly and smoothly. **DO NOT STOP TO PERFORM.** Observe all traffic safety regulations. **WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ENTRY TO ANY APPLICATION.**

PARADE LINE-UP

Parade lines up on Old Highway 56. Line-up will be on the highway. Buses and vehicles may unload at this site and then drive to Civic Center on corner of 1st and Mekusukey and park in Civic Center parking lot. Parade check in will be at parade line up on Old Highway 56.

PLEASE PROVIDE EMAIL OR ADDRESS YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR PARADE NUMBER SENT TO.

Parade starts promptly at 10:00 a.m. Parade will not be canceled due to rain. Entries must be at parade line-up site (Old Highway 56) by 8:45 a.m. Allow some time for traffic.

JUDGED ENTRIES

FLOATS

Theme for Floats: “HISTORY IN THE MAKING”

Floats are judged based on:

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| Theme portrayal , use of them in float..... | 25 points |
| Originality , something new or different..... | 25 points |
| Construction & design , difficulty to construct..... | 25 points |
| Eye appeal , pleasing to the crowd..... | 25 points |

“Divisions”

Commercial: Any float built by a Business

1st – 3rd place plaques awarded

Youth: Float made by youth organizations with adult supervision

Adult: Floats built by civic groups, churches, families, individuals, etc.

1st - 3rd place prize awarded

Miscellaneous: Open class for floats not using theme. No prizes awarded

A Sweepstakes Trophy will be presented to float selected as BEST OF SHOW

(In case of rain floats will be judged at 9:30 a.m. at parade line-up site)

DRILL/DANCE TEAMS:

Amateur Class: Limited to youth teams High School age or below.

1st - 3rd place prize awarded.

Professional: Adult drill/dance teams' college age or above.

1st - 3rd place prize awarded

ANIMAL/EQUESTRIAN:

Round-up Clubs/Equestrian entries: 1st - 3rd place prize awarded

Animal – Miscellaneous: All animals entered must be under physical control of the owner or trainer at all times. 1st - 3rd place prize awarded.

PLEASE NOTE – Proof of a current negative coggins test is required for all horses prior to entrance to parade line-up. All horse entries will be at the end of the parade.



Parade Application

Must be returned by October 20, 2023 to qualify for trophies

Organization: _____
 Contact Person: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Below - Circle (Only One) Type of Entry including Division:

Float: Commercial Non-Commercial Youth Adult
Royalty: Queen Jr. Queen Princess Prince Contestant _____
Dance/drill team: _____
Marching Band: School Military Drum Line
Specialty Unit: Clown Unit Fire Truck Unit Car Club _____
Politician: Federal State County Local Tribal
Equestrian: Riding Club Round-Up Club Horse Drawn Rider(s)
Other Animals: (be specific) _____
Other: (doesn't fit categories listed) _____

Dimensions of Entry: _____
 (Marching Units please list number of members)
 (Vehicles or Riding Units please list number and type of expected enteries)

Will there be people walking? Yes _____ No _____ If Yes, How Many _____

Announcer Introduction:
 (This must be filled in or NO Announcement will be made, attach separate sheet if needed)
 (Please keep announcement brief, may be edited)

Theme: "History in the Making"

Liability Waiver on back of form must be signed before application can be accepted.

Return application to: City of Wewoka
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The Wewoka Christmas Parade will be Monday, December 4, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. this year's theme is "CHRISTMAS MAGIC". Mark here if interested in being in Christmas parade. _____

2022 WEWOKA SORGHUM FESTIVAL PARADE

Participant: _____

In addition to the previously mentioned RULES & REGULATIONS, Parade Entrants agree to be solely responsible for any and all property loss or personal injury or any other claim or demand for damages as the result of or arising out of participation in said Sorghum Parade. Participants agree to hold harmless the organization, its officers, agents, employees and persons, or property occasioned by or sustained by reason of participant's participation in the Parade.

I further state that I have read and agree to abide by the rules set forth by the Wewoka Sorghum Festival for participation in this event.

I have read and understand this agreement and have willingly placed my signature below as evidence of my acceptance of all the conditions contained herein.

SIGNATURE: _____ Title _____
(Authorized Representative)

Date: _____