



2026 Parade Application

Submission Deadline: October 1, 2026

PARADE TIME: 2:00 PM, October 3, 2026

Theme: -

Contact Person: _____ Phone: (_____) _____ — _____

Company/Group (if applicable): _____

Email Address: _____

Address: _____
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

Type of Entry (check one): ☐ Commercial Vehicles ☐ Tractors ☐ Antique/Vintage Vehicle
 ☐ Float ☐ Walking Unit ☐ Band ☐ Animal Unit
 ☐ Other _____

PLEASE NOTE: SIGNAGE IS NOT PROVIDED. YOU MUST PROVIDE YOUR OWN SIGNAGE AND/OR BANNERS.

Vehicles and Tractors Only

☐ Car ☐ Truck ☐ Tractor ☐ Motorcycle

Make: _____ Model: _____ Year: _____

Animal Units Only

☐ Riding Unit ☐ Team Unit ☐ Lead Unit

Floats Only

Will you be accompanied by walkers? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Title: _____

The passing out or throwing of any items from the parade route is strictly prohibited and there are no exceptions. Doing so is punishable to the full extent of the law and will result in immediate dismissal from the parade and prevent participation in future Lincoln Days parades. By signing this form, you acknowledge that you have been informed of this rule and accept responsibility for informing all participants in your group.

Lincoln Days Celebration, Inc. Release of Responsibility

In consideration of your accepting and my participation in the events of the Lincoln Days Celebration, Inc. festival, I do hereby release forever any and all rights and claims for damages I may accrue against any and all persons, business, agencies and other participants, including, but not limited to, LINCOLN DAYS CELEBRATION, INC., its officers and Board of Directors, the organizers, sponsors, workers, officials, volunteer helpers, the City of Hodgenville, LaRue County, Kentucky and representatives, and assigns, growing out of my participation in the Lincoln Days Festival, including travel to and from the Lincoln Days Festival.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

2026 Lincoln Days Parade Rules

1.) Participating in the Lincoln Days Parade is subject to these rules. Failure to follow these rules can result in immediate expulsion from the parade and limitations on future participation.

2.) Entries may not display adult-themed video, images, or costumes, or play offensive music, or otherwise engage in any conduct or behavior that could conceivably contradict with the family and community-oriented aspect of the parade.

3.) All participants are expected to complete the entire route of the parade, and must be able to maintain a consistent forward movement of approximately two (2) miles per hour. Units may not stop and perform along the route; all performances must be done while in motion.

4.) Nothing is to be thrown or passed out by parade participants, including but not limited to candy and brochures. Violations of this rule may result in the immediate withdrawal of the unit and a permanent ban from future participation. This is a safety rule.

5.) All parade positions are assigned by the Parade Committee and must be observed.

6.) All drivers of motorized vehicles must have a valid license at check-in. A copy of proof of insurance for automobiles and motorcycles must be submitted with registration.

7.) There must be one seat per person on all vehicles.

8.) All automobile entries must be at least 25-model-years or older (1999 or earlier) unless specifically invited to participate by the Parade Committee or they are convertibles used to transport dignitaries. Commercial promotion vehicles (e.g. wrapped vehicles, military recruiters) are exempted.

9.) All-terrain vehicles, such as "four-wheelers" are expressly prohibited unless operated by fire, law enforcement, or emergency personnel or entered by a pooper scooper.

10.) No live animals except equines will be allowed in the parade. Coggins papers will be required at check-in. Appropriate riding attire is required. Minors must wear helmets. Minors riding solo

must be led by rope by an adult. Any horse not bagged will be at the end of the parade. All animals must be under complete control at all times.

11.) Floats must be constructed according to the parade theme. Floats should be pulled by trucks or sufficiently powerful motorized vehicles. Lawn mowers and golf carts are not allowed. Accompanying walkers shall not approach a float during the parade. All riders must be secured. Children must be accompanied by adults. No rider shall be picked-up en route.

12.) Registrations must be received no later than 5:00 PM, Wednesday October 1, 2026 at the Lincoln Days Office in order to receive placement in the March Order. Late registrations will be accepted until 12:00 pm on the day of the parade and will be placed in order at the back of the parade.

13.) Applications will be approved based on the order received and space available. The Parade Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any application.

14.) The parade will step off promptly at 2:00 PM, Saturday, October 3, 2026. All units must check-in at Parade Headquarters (Hodgenville United Methodist Church) between 9:00 AM and Noon. All motorized units must enter the Staging Area from Lincoln Parkway. Floats must be in their assigned spot by 10:30 AM to be eligible for judging between 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM. Space will be provided for walkers, including those accompanying floats at the Lincoln Boulevard end of the staging area. Ferry service for walkers cannot be provided after 1:00 PM. All units must be at their assigned spot in the Staging Area no later than 1:00 PM. At 1:00 PM, the Staging Area will be closed and no further entry will be permitted. Units must be in their assigned spots until directed by parade marshals to line-up.

15.) Any questions or judgments should be directed to the Parade Chairman, and the Chairman's ruling shall be final.

16.) The Parade Committee may add to these rules or permit a waiver to them, if doing so enhances or improves safety or the production quality of the parade.