

Dear 2019 Parade of Lights Participants:

The time has arrived for the Grapevine Parade of Lights on Thursday, December 5. This year's theme is Making the Season Bright. We are glad that you are going to be a part of the excitement of this spectacular Texas-sized event. We know this is going to be a wonderful event for our community. Please note the following information in planning for your group's participation:

- The 2019 Parade of Lights will begin at 7:00 p.m.
- **All entries using a generator** must have a fully functional fire extinguisher on board. (Fire ordinance)
- Hanover Street, Trinity Parkway, and Capitol Street will be closed to thru traffic at 4:00 p.m. on the day of the parade. All entries must be in place by **6:00 p.m.** If your entry is over 60 feet in total length, you will need to be in place in the staging area NO LATER THAN **5:00 pm**. Entries must enter Hanover Dr. from Minters Chapel. Entries will be lined up along Hanover Drive, Trinity Pkwy, & Capitol St. according to assigned numbers. Once the streets have been closed, for the safety of all participants, cars will NOT be allowed in the staging areas. Please make sure all parents are aware that they will **not** be allowed to drive through the staging area and have made arrangements to arrive early or have organized escorts for young children from the drop off area to the staging area.
- Vehicles dropping off parade participants are NOT allowed on Hanover Dr. Only Parade Entries are allowed access to Hanover Dr. All participants being dropped off can park at the Grapevine Library/Grapevine Convention Center parking lot and walk to the staging area from there.
- Judging will take place as the floats pass the Cotton Belt Depot Hotel located at the intersection of Main St. and Hudgins St. We will also have a People's Choice winner selected through social media platforms.
- Portable restrooms will be located along Hanover, Capitol and Trinity for your convenience.

- Horses and/or other farm animals must either be diapered or followed by two crewmembers from the participating organization. Horses will be unloaded at the parade staging area on Hanover. **After unloading trailers or pick-up trucks, vehicles must be moved to the end of the parade route.** Space will be reserved for the horse trailers in the parking lot east of the Gazebo. (ATTACHED INFORMATION FOR HORSE/ ANIMAL TRAILERS)
- At the conclusion of the parade, all floats must continue down Main Street then turn right (east) on Northwest Highway and proceed to Dooley Street. The floats will then head south on Dooley and turn RIGHT ON DALLAS RD. This will put the floats heading back towards Main St. Once the end of the parade has moved passed the Dallas Rd intersection, the floats will turn left on Main St. and will return back to Hanover Rd. This is where the participants will be allowed to unload and be picked up if needed. Do not stop or unload participants prior to returning to Hanover Dr. There will be no unloading on Main St. or Northwest Highway.
 Marching Groups will turn right on Northwest Highway and then right on Jenkins St. High School Marching Groups will board buses staged in the parking lots located at the intersection of Jenkins St. and Wall St. Middle school marching groups should arrange for their parents to meet them at the north end of the parade route to be picked up.
 If your parade entry is able to drive on regular, non-protected streets, and you do not have participants that need to be unloaded, you are welcome to exit the parade route from Dooley St. by turning left on Wall St. or Dallas Rd.

Guideline Reminders:

- For safety reasons, no candy, toys, souvenirs, or promotional items may be thrown from an entry or distributed. Not complying can result in unsafe conditions for children and could affect the judging outcome and future parade participation.
- All entries must include a sign (minimum 3' x 3') clearly identifying the organization/individual. This will be very important for the People's Choice voting. All entries must include a sign with your parade entry number on the front and rear. If your entry has multiple vehicles, each vehicle will need a parade entry number sign on the front and rear.

- No “live” Santa Claus may appear on any entry – the “real” Santa is at the end of the parade!
- All entries with generators must have a fire extinguisher.
- Commercial entries are not eligible for prize money.
- All floats must have headlights and Christmas lights.
- All entries must be appropriately themed for the Christmas Holiday and no political messaging is allowed, other than the displayed name of the sponsoring business or organization.
- All children’s groups must ride—not march (with the exception of school marching bands and dance teams).
- Parade entrants are required to move continuously along the parade route. No groups may stop in front of the judges for performance purposes.
- The decision of the judges is final, and will be announced by the Grapevine Chamber on Friday, December 6.
- Maximum float height is 12 feet and maximum width is 10 feet including any outriggers.
- During the parade, loud or continuous use of horns from vehicles is not allowed.

If you have any questions, please contact Michael Miori at Michael@grapevinechamber.org or 817-481-1522.

Horse Trailer Parking Area for 2019 Christmas Parade

This parking area will be reserved for horse trailer parking only.
This parking lot must be entered from E. Texas St.



Bing Maps:

Closest address is 234 E. Texas St.

Google Maps:

Closest address is 220 E. Texas St.

IPhone Maps:

Closest address is 240 E. Texas St.

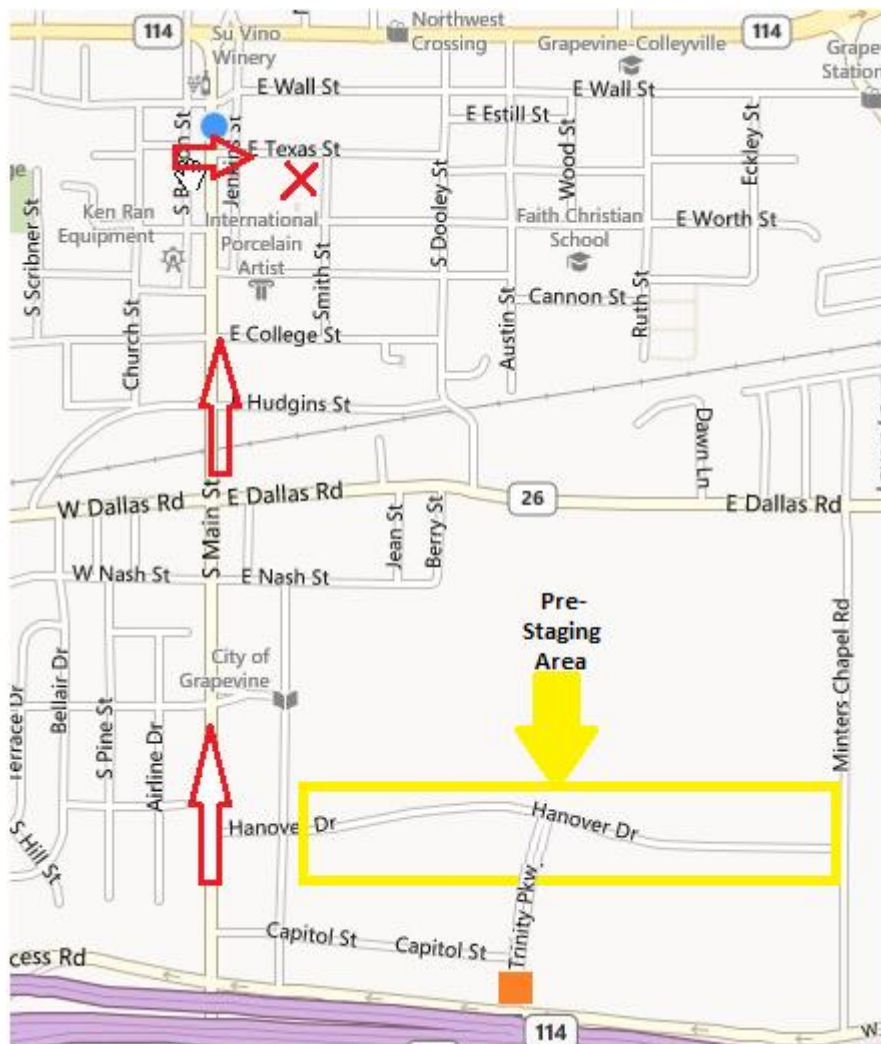
Directions to get from Pre-Staging Area to Trailer Parking Area

BEFORE MAIN ST. CLOSURES AT 5:00 PM

North on Main St.

Right on E. Texas St.

Parking area will be located on your right.



At the conclusion of the parade,
follow this route to get to the
Trailer Parking Area

