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TO: **PARADE PARTICIPANTS**

FROM: Ruben O'Canas & Neil O. Yelderman - Directors in Charge

SUBJECT: **2020 FORT BEND COUNTY FAIR PARADE**

AN ORIGINAL RELEASE OF LIABILITY & INDEMNITY AGREEMENT MUST BE SIGNED AND NOTARIZED FOR EACH PARADE PARTICIPANT AND TURNED IN WITH THE REGISTRATION FORM. ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THE RELEASE CAN BE MADE IF NECESSARY.

WE WILL BEGIN TAKING REGISTRATIONS ON JULY 15TH. WE WILL NOT ACCEPT ANY REGISTRATION BEFORE 8AM JULY 15TH.

REGISTRATIONS MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE FORT BEND COUNTY FAIR OFFICE BY AUGUST 27, 2020 AT 5:00 P.M.

PARADE NUMBERS MUST BE PICKED UP ON SEPTEMBER 21, 22, OR 23, 2020.

TIMES: 7:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.
12:00 NOON - 1:00 P.M.
5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

Registration forms and liability releases can be submitted to the Fair Office in the following ways:

- Hand delivery to the Fair Office (recommended)
- Email to: info@fbcfa.org
- Fax to: 832-595-0808
- Mail to: ***Fort Bend County Fair Association***
  P.O. Box 428
  Rosenberg, TX 77471

If you have any questions call the Fair Office at (281) 342-6171.

2020 FORT BEND COUNTY FAIR THEME
"Volunteers Make the Difference"

FORT BEND COUNTY FAIR PARADE
2020 RULES AND REGULATIONS

DATE: **SEPTEMBER 25, 2020**
TIME: **9:00 A.M.**

PARADE ROUTE:

BEGINS ON U.S. 90-A AT FIFTH STREET IN RICHMOND, THEN CONTINUES WEST ON 90-A TO ROSENBERG. THE PARADE ROUTE ENDS AT U.S. 90-A AT JENNETTA IN ROSENBERG.
THE PARADE IS A LITTLE OVER 3 MILES LONG. PLEASE BE AWARE OF THIS IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO WALK THE ROUTE.

REGISTRATION:

- ***We will begin accepting parade registrations on July 15, 2020***
- Registrations must be completed and returned to The Fort Bend County Fair Office by 5:00 pm, August 27, 2020. Parade placement will be determined at this time.
- Any parade entry received after 5:00 pm on Tuesday, August 27, 2020 will be charged a $25 late fee (regardless of category).
- Registration fees are only applicable in the Commercial category. Commercial entrants that are **not sponsors** of the Fair will be charged $25.00. There is no charge for all other categories.
- Late registration will continue through September 3, 2020 until 5:00 P.M. These entries will be placed at the end of the Parade Lineup in the order received.
- Registration entry forms can be obtained at the Fort Bend County Fair Office, located at 4310 Hwy. 36 South, Rosenberg, Texas, or online at www.fortbendcountyfair.com.
- Parade numbers will be issued on September 21, 22, and 23, 2020 in the Main Ticket Building located at gate number 2 at the following times 7-9 a.m., 12 noon – 1 p.m. or 5-7 p.m.

CATEGORIES:

- **Youth Civic:** Boy Scouts, Youth Sports, 4-H, etc.
- **School:** Any organization with any part of K-12, public or private.
- **Commercial:** Any organization or business conducted for a profit.
- **Non-Profit:** Any organization conducted not for a profit, such as churches, and their day cares, Lions Clubs, Rotary, etc.
- **Fair Queen:** All fair queen candidates and current Fair Queen.
- **Trail riders:** Minimum of 10 riders, all dressing in a manner that will identify each individual as a member of that group.
- **Car Clubs:** No more than 4 units per entry.
- **Fair Committee:** Any committee of the Fort Bend County Fair.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

- Entries (excluding Commercial Entries and Platinum Sponsors) not traveling the entire parade route on foot (such as Bands & R.O.T.C.) must be on a float, in a horse drawn wagon, in an antique vehicle (antique vehicles must be at least 25 years old & maintained or restored to original condition), or with a trail ride.
- **Commercial Entries and Political Candidates not traveling the entire Parade Route on foot must be on a float decorated in the Fair theme, a horse drawn wagon, or an antique vehicle.**
- A decorated vehicle will not be allowed as a parade entry.
- The size of an entry cannot exceed being 8’ wide, 32’ long and 12’ high.
- No entry, while on the parade route, may stop at any time solely for the purpose of demonstrating or performing.

PREMIUMS AND AWARDS:

1st Place Certificates will be issued in each of the following categories. All winners will receive preferential placement in next year's parade.

- **Judges Favorite:** A trophy & ribbon will be awarded to the entry judged "Judges Favorite"
- **Youth Civic**
- **School**
- **Commercial**
- **Non- Profit**
- **Queen**
- **Trail riders**
- **Car Clubs**
- **Fort Bend County Fair Committee**

GENERAL RULES:

- All horses must have a negative EIA (Coggins) within the past twelve months.
- General Common-Sense Rules apply throughout the parade.
- All entries must be registered with liability waivers on file for each participant.
- Entries must remain in the position assigned, unless approved by a parade official.
- No one is allowed to ride on a car top, fender, hood, etc.
- All vehicles must have a driver that is licensed to drive that vehicle.
- Entries such as but not limited to, Cheerleaders, Drill Teams, etc. will not be permitted to perform in a manner likely to cause severe physical injury such as flips, pyramids, handstands etc.
- **Due to insurance regulations and safety of spectators – Absolutely no throwing of any objects from the parade entry, such as gum, candy, pencils, etc.**
- Nothing will be permitted to downgrade the parade or reflect on the Fair Association in any way. No signs, posters, messages, or written material of an obscene nature will be allowed. All such entries will be scratched.
- All entries that utilize any type of voice amplification, including but not limited to Bands, D.J.'s, P.A. Systems and Stereos must keep volume adjusted to a low to medium level. Further, **entries that utilize these systems must not use vulgar or profane language or music which would be offensive to those in attendance. Entries that violate any part of this rule will be immediately removed from the parade route.**
- No alcoholic beverages will be consumed before & during the parade.
- As a courtesy to other parade participants, do not disband until you reach the end of the parade at the intersection of 90A and Jeannetta Street in Rosenberg.
- Candidates for political offices (excluding incumbents) will not be given preferential treatment.
- **ONLY PARADE ENTRIES DECORATED IN THE FAIR THEME WILL BE JUDGED.**
- **ALL PARADE COMMITTEE AND THE FORT BEND COUNTY FAIR BOARD OF DIRECTORS DECISIONS ARE FINAL**