

2026 YAMBOREE SCHOOL/YOUTH PARADE RULES

1. **NO MOTORCYCLES, ATV's (4-wheelers or 3-wheelers), DIRT BIKES or any motorized off-the-road vehicles.**
2. Walking groups welcome.
3. Entries will not be accepted after **September 25th**.
4. Drivers in the School's parade must be 18 years of age or older and have a valid driver's license and insurance.
5. All marching bands will sound off at the corner of Madison St. and Titus St. on the empty grass lot.
6. ***NO CD'S OR RADIOS FROM CARS**
7. ***NO traffic will be allowed on Titus St. from 8 a.m. Friday until the conclusion of the parade.**
8. ***ENTRIES MAY NOT THROW OR PASS OUT CANDY OR ANY OTHER ITEM, INCLUDING TRINKETS OR FLIERS**
9. Parade chairman has the final decision on any entry. Entries must not delay the parade and must cooperate in maintaining a smooth flow of parade traffic.
10. All entrants must follow the complete parade route. Disbanded groups will not be allowed to walk back through the parade.
11. Parade route begins with lineup on Titus St., left on Jefferson, right on Simpson, right on Hwy 154, right on Trinity. Floats will turn left on Buffalo and discharge riders at the Methodist Church. Bands must not disband until reaching Cass St. Autos exit at Cass St. **All entries other than the bands and floats being judged will need to enter at the corner of E. Redbud & Titus St. to be marked off the list by an official.**
12. **Floats being judged need to be on Madison St., between Titus and Trinity at 8:30a.m., Friday, Oct. 16th. Float judging will begin at 9:00am.**
13. Floats not being judged need to be in place by 10:00am.
14. **All award winners need to provide two people to carry the award banner during the parade.**
16. **Please leave your banner on your float so that the parade officials may pick them up later.**
All other entries must be in place by 10:00 a.m. The parade will begin promptly at 11 a.m.
17. ***BUS PARKING WILL BE ON MADISON ST. BETWEEN HWY 271 AND TITUS ST. THIS STREET WILL BE BLOCKED OFF, BUT THERE WILL BE A POLICE OFFICER OR PARADE OFFICIAL THERE TO LET THE BUSES GO THROUGH TO THE PARKING AREA.**
18. **Float entries must follow float themes obtained from the Yamboree Office in order to be judged for prize awards.**

Floats will be judged on Workmanship (25), Creativity (25), Portrayal of theme (20), costumes (15), and Special effects (15). * Narratives (10) will be used for the tiebreaker.

Narratives (3 copies) should be turned into the East Texas Yamboree Office by **October 5th** to qualify for bonus points.

A narrative is a brief description of the float that tells the story you wish to depict and how it ties into the overall theme. These may be displayed very decoratively and elaborately. **No loose glitter, please. Size should be no larger than 11x14.**

SCHOOL/YOUTH PARADE AWARDS

Class I School Floats

- 1st Place - \$1500
- 2nd Place - \$1000
- 3rd Place - \$500
- 4th Place - \$150
- 5th Place - \$100

Class II Junior Floats (organized youth groups other than schools)

- 1st Place - \$300.00
- 2nd Place - \$200.00
- 3rd Place - \$150.00