

Homecoming Rulebook 2025

Middle Tennessee State University Student Government Association Homecoming

2025 Event & Competition Guidelines

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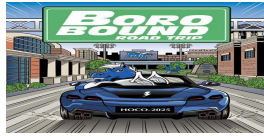
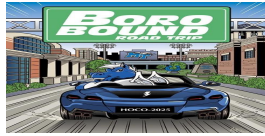


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A Word From the Director

Happy Homecoming! I am so excited to celebrate our True Blue Pride once again at MTSU with all of our wonderful students, faculty, parents, and alumni. It is so inspiring to see everyone come together to celebrate our university through fun events and our traditions. It is such an honor to be able to serve the university and community by bringing programming that allows students to let loose and celebrate the week leading up to homecoming. This year will be one for the books as we hit the road for our Boro Bound Road Trip as we take on Marshall at Floyd Stadium. I am looking forward to seeing the hard work all of our student organizations and community members put in to ensure that this week is unforgettable. Homecoming would not be possible without the support from all of you! So thank you so much for your continued support and Blue Raider spirit. Let's get ready for the best week of the year full of fun Homecoming festivities!

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Sydney Barnett

2025 Homecoming Director



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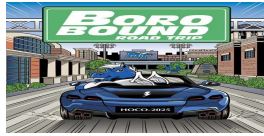
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Important Dates

August 20: Competition forms open on MyMT

- 8:00 AM

August 27: Fight Song Rehearsal

- Murphy Center, 5:00 PM- 8:00 PM

August 28: Fight Song Competition

- Murphy Center, 7:00 PM- 10:00 PM

September 10: All competition sign-ups close. (Paint the halls, banner, mac & cheese)

- 12:00 PM

September 12: Banners due for judging

- STU 306 (SGA Office) by 4:30 PM

September 14: Intramural Round robin

- Campus Recreation Center, 1:00 PM- 5:00 PM

September 15: Paint the Halls Blue judging

- Time TBD

September 15: Road trip Playlist Kickoff Event

- Student Union Commons, 7:00 PM- 10:00 PM

September 16: Rollin' on Route Blue Skate Night

- Campus Recreation Center, 7:00 PM- 10:00 PM

September 17: Souvenir Stop Swag Wagon

- All around campus, 10:00 AM- 12:00 PM

September 17: Parade Entry Sign-up closes

- 12:00 PM

September 17: Intramural Tournament



- Campus Recreation, invite only based on round robin scores

September 17: Mac & Cheese Cookoff event and judging

- Student Union Commons, 5:00 PM- 7:00 PM

September 18: Crash the Commons Road Trip Rave

- Student Union Commons, 6:00 PM- 10:00 PM

September 19: NPHC Step Show

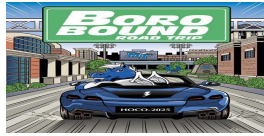
- Student Union Ballroom, 7:00 PM- 9:00 PM

September 20: Parade

- 11:00 AM, more information on route to come

September 20: MTSU v. Marshall

- Floyd Stadium, 6:30 PM



General Competition Rules

The theme for the 2025 Middle Tennessee State University Homecoming is “Boro Bound Road Trip”. This theme is meant to encourage pride in our university and community as we rally this season leading up to our Homecoming game. This theme will take us on a trip through the U.S. as we end back at Floyd Stadium to celebrate our Blue Raiders. This year’s Homecoming has something to bring together current students, alumni, and the greater Murfreesboro community.

The following rules, events, and activities were developed by the 2025 Homecoming Committee. Please read all of the rules and regulations carefully prior to registering and competing in the homecoming events/ activities to avoid any misunderstanding, incorrect interpretation, and possible disqualification. Any questions should be directed towards the 2025 Homecoming Director, Sydney Barnett.

- Office: Student Union 306 8:00 AM-4:30 PM
- Email: sga.home@mtsu.edu
- Office Phone: (615)898-2537 ext. 2537

General Rules:

1. All official homecoming registration forms must be completed and submitted through MyMT no later than 12:00 PM CST on their designated dates. All due dates are disclosed in the “Important Dates” page and each individual competition page. Official homecoming registration forms must be submitted in order to complete the approval process determined by the Student Government Association Homecoming Committee.
2. Groups and organizations working together must note their collaboration on the official registration form. Each organization must complete a registration form individually and must both acknowledge the collaboration. If an organization is partnered with another organization, they do not necessarily have to enter every competition as partners.
3. All times and deadlines are strictly enforced. Refer to the individual event rules and regulations for deadline information.
4. All decisions of judges will be kept confidential until the 2025 Homecoming Committee makes its official announcement. All decisions the judges make are final, and official rules are left to the discretion of the judges.



5. Official appeals must be made within 48 hours of the specific event in question. All appeals must be filed in writing with the SGA Homecoming Director, sga.home@mtsu.edu, and the Director of Campus Activities and Strategic Marketing, Jackie Victory jackie.victory@mtsu.edu.
6. Since MTSU is a dry campus, the “No Alcohol” policy is strictly enforced at all events and competitions. If a member(s) of an organization is caught drinking or carrying alcoholic beverages during any homecoming event will be disqualified. This policy extends to any illegal substances that are being used at events. Further action may be taken depending on the severity of the offense and the discretion of the 2025 Homecoming Committee.
7. Individuals who fail to abide by the official rules and regulations must meet with the Homecoming Committee and Homecoming Advisor (Jackie Victory).
8. Winners from each event and category, with the exception of Fight Song, will be announced on Saturday September 20th in Walnut Grove. Time TBD. Please have at least one, representative attend to receive awards.
9. NOTE: All on-campus locations listed for events are subject to change. All announcements regarding location change will be posted on the official MTSU Homecoming Instagram.

Working Together:

The purpose of homecoming is to come together as a student body to celebrate school spirit and welcome our alumni and community to our campus. As a result, the Homecoming Committee encourages student organizations to work together for events and activities. Organizations that join together will be referred to as “teams”.

Student organizations may be paired and work together. It should be noted that if organizations do pair up, it is not required they pair up for all events. Remember that participating separately has the potential to yield more points for your team!

Point System:

We will have overall winners in the following categories:

- Housing and Residential Life
- Student groups and organizations
- Fraternity and Sorority Life.

All of the competitions hosted are designated a specific number of points that may be accumulated. All points will be calculated and kept in a spreadsheet to determine the



overall winner. Winning complex, organization, and team will receive an award at the end of homecoming week and will be announced on all MTSU Homecoming social media.

Below is the breakdown of how the points for the 2025 Homecoming season will work:

1. Housing and Residential Life
 - Paint the Halls Blue: 100 pts.
 - Homecoming Games: 75 pts.
 - Banner Competition: 75 pts.
 - Parade Entry: 100 pts.
 - Fight Song 100 pts.
 - Mac & Cheese Cookoff: 100 pts.
2. Student Organizations
 - Paint the Halls Blue: 100 pts.
 - Homecoming Games: 75 pts.
 - Banner Competition: 75 pts.
 - Parade Entry: 100 pts.
 - Fight Song 100 pts.
 - Mac & Cheese Cookoff: 100 pts.
3. Fraternity and Sorority Life
 - Homecoming Games: 75 pts.
 - Banner Competition: 75 pts.
 - Parade Entry: 100 pts.
 - Fight Song 100 pts.
 - Mac & Cheese Cookoff: 100 pts.

All events will be awarded a first, second, and third place winner.

Competitions that are worth 100 points will be awarded as follows:

1st place: 100 points

2nd place: 75 points

3rd place: 50 points

Competitions that are worth 75 points will be awarded as follows:

1st place: 75 points



2nd place: 50 points

3rd place: 25 points

Fight Song Rules

The MTSU Fight Song Competition will be held during MTSU's Week of Welcome at 7:00 PM on Thursday, August 28th in the Murphy Center. Doors for the event will open an hour before show time. The Fight Song is designed to display school spirit. It should reflect the originality, creativity, and pride in our university. The theme for this year's fight song is Lightning's Big City Adventure. Entries may incorporate anything their team feels complies with the theme. Please refer to page 4 of the rule book for a list of important dates. If you have any questions on whether something is acceptable, please refer to:

1. **The mandatory Fight Song meeting will be held Monday, June 30th at 3:00 PM via Zoom. A member from each participating organization must be present.**
2. There is no fee required to participate in Fight Song. It is the organization's responsibility to remove all props, costumes, makeup, etc. If materials are left on stage or if changing facilities are not properly cleaned following the show, or any damage occurs, the organization will be charged for the damage that occurred.
3. Organizations may begin practicing immediately after the informational meeting. No groups may congregate prior to this date.
4. Groups must submit an official entry form, a list of songs, and lyrics. **Groups may begin submitting these at 8:00 AM on July 1st, 2025. Song availability is on a first-come, first-served basis. Groups must send song list and lyrics to sga.home@mtsu.edu by 4:30pm on July 31st, 2025.** Please also include the names of all organizations participating in your email. To avoid duplication of songs, chosen songs will be time stamped, and the organization who requested the song first gets priority and all others (if duplication occurs) must choose another song. There is no need to bring these to the SGA office. Songs and lyrics will only be accepted through email.
5. In addition to the official entry form and song lists, groups must also provide what city they would like to base their performances on. The city must be located in the United States, but groups are not limited to any specific type of city. It is encouraged that groups find a way to tie in the road trip aspect of homecoming into their performance, but it is not required. This follows the same rules as before: cities are first-come, first-



served, and all submissions will be time stamped. If duplications occur, the group who submits second will be asked to choose a new city.

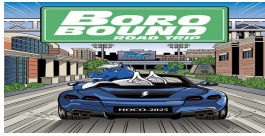
6. **Participating organizations should plan to attend a rehearsal time on August 27th; time is TBD.** They must arrive at the rehearsal location at least 30 minutes prior to their designated rehearsal time. Each organization will be notified of the check-in location and their designated rehearsal time.
7. **All props are due at the Murphy Center by 3:00 PM on August 28th.** Any team with props not in place by 3:00 PM will receive a 5-point deduction from their final score. Any props submitted after 5:00 PM on August 28th will not be accepted for use in the show.
8. Each team has seven minutes for their performance. Time will begin as soon as the first sound is sung, spoken, or played. Timing will end when the music stops. One point will be deducted for every 20 seconds over the time limit. (Note: If performance is 7 minutes and 15 seconds, you will still be deducted one point.)
9. Each team will have four minutes to set up and four minutes to take down any props. Any group exceeding the four minute set-up and/or tear down will be penalized 1 point per minute.
10. All props must be carried on and off the stage using the stairs or ramp on the side of the stage. If damage occurs due to an organization's method of setup / tear down, the organization will be held responsible for any damage caused to the facility, stage, or curtain set up behind it.
11. Props may be used as long as participants carry them on and off stage. Any items left on stage will result in a 10-point penalty. Props may not exceed 12 feet high. Each group must have designated individuals responsible for securing each props position. Props must be sturdy enough to stand without falling.
12. There will be an LED wall behind the stage. Organizations are encouraged to design a slide or multiple slides that will be displayed during their performance. **All slides must be submitted by August 21, 2025, by 4:30 PM as a PowerPoint (16:9) slide.**
13. Absolutely no glitter / confetti. If any glitter is used, the team will be disqualified.
14. The MTSU Fight Song must be sung in its traditional form first. After the first time through, the MTSU Fight Song may be sung in any non-traditional form. Only the words in the fight song may be used; however, they may be sung in any order. Speaking parts do not have to follow this rule.
15. Absolutely no build-ups or stunts. Stunts may be defined as 3-person pyramids, etc. No one is permitted to jump off the stage. Stunts will also be defined as a person getting onto another person's shoulders. Pursuant to general competition rules, SGA accepts no responsibility for accidents or injuries before, during, or after the performance.



16. Two instruments may be used during the performance. (Instruments are anything extra brought on stage to make sound. Examples: microphone, trumpet, etc.) **Any necessary equipment must be requested before Thursday August 14th, 2025, by 4:30 PM.** Pre-recorded music may be used; however, it may not have lead vocals, or it will count as one of the instruments used. It is up to the judges' discretion to determine if the pre-recorded vocals overpower the performance. ***
17. The team must provide a person to help the sound technicians with the music. Groups must have music in two different forms. For example: A flash drive can be brought, and music can be put on a phone. If a phone is used, it must be able to go into airplane mode.
18. **Music, Lighting Cues, and a Script of your group's performance must be submitted for screening to sga.home@mtsu.edu. The deadline Thursday August 14th, 2025, by 4:30pm*****
19. Only active members of organizations are allowed to participate or assist in the Fight Song competition in any way, with the exception of music editing. NO OUTSIDE CHOREOGRAPHY IS ALLOWED AND NO HELP FROM ALUMNI. Violation of these rules will result in an immediate meeting with the homecoming committee and advisor. Violations may result in disqualification.
20. The maximum number of participants per performance may not exceed 35. It is not required to use all 35 participants, and the number of participants will not be a determining factor for judging the fight song. ***
21. Music, vocals, and speaking may not include profanity or offensive jesters.
22. Fight Song will be included in the overall Homecoming Competition and will go towards Lightning's Cup.
23. All decisions made by the judges are final. Judging will be based on the following: Performance, Spirit, Theme, and Pre Performance.
 - a. Performance: 35% of clarity of words, creativity, choreography, set display
 - b. Spirit: 30% of enthusiasm, school spirit, crowd appeal
 - c. Theme: 30% of choice of music, costumes, props, story
 - d. Pre-Performance: 5% of entry form, directors meeting attendance, music & instrument, sign in submitted on time, etc.

Final scores have been very close in the past, so please follow the rules to give your organization the best chance of winning.

*** This information has not been finalized through production services. Please ensure that you check your registered email regularly to receive any updates. ***





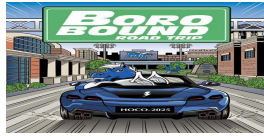
Parade and Non-Competitive Entries

The Middle Tennessee State University Homecoming Parade is one of our longest standing traditions. It is the best way to unite and feature the community of students, alumni, and local residents. Anyone has the opportunity to be recognized by walking in the parade or building a float. For those interested in participating in the parade please check the MTSU Homecoming website for all parade information.

1. All entry forms to the parade must be submitted no later than Wednesday September 10 at 12:00 PM CT.
2. Entries must be tasteful and support MTSU Blue Raider pride. The 2025 Homecoming Committee reserves the right to reject and/or disqualify any entry not in compliance with contemporary community standards.
3. All participants must conduct themselves in a respectable manner at all times. The 2025 Homecoming Committee reserves the right to limit individual students, alumni, or any other participant in the parade. If an individual cannot maintain the appropriate conduct as defined by contemporary community standards, then they will be asked to leave the parade, float, or vehicle. If the individual refuses to leave, their respective group will be immediately disqualified.
4. Where applicable, each group must designate a qualified, sober (meaning No alcohol or substances have been consumed) driver as a part of their official entry. The 2025 Homecoming Committee reserves the right to determine the state of each driver and may disqualify a driver if they do not meet the above criteria. Upon disqualification of the driver, the entire entry will also be declared ineligible to participate in the parade.
5. Participants may choose either a float, vehicle, or non-float entry. The 2025 Homecoming Committee must approve all entries. Once the committee receives an entry form no changes can be made.
6. It is strongly encouraged that entries reflect the homecoming theme. For “Boro Bound Road Trip” groups are encouraged to base their float on a city, landmark, or view that you might encounter on a road trip.
7. All participants must be dressed in either MTSU colors (Blue, black, white) or in line with the 2025 homecoming theme while participating in the parade. Keep in mind that school spirit is considered for competition. Other MTSU spirited items (balloons, pompoms, signs, etc.) are encouraged during the parade. All costumes and outfits should be family friendly.



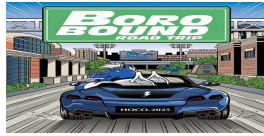
8. All floats and vehicle entries must be approved for street operation in the state of Tennessee. This means all vehicles must be street legal with up to date tags, registration, and insurance, and the driver must have proper identification on them at all times.
9. All float entries must be at the intersection of Bell Street and Highland (Old hospital parking lot) no later than 9:00 AM. All other vehicle and non-float entries must arrive no later than 10:00 AM. The parade is set to begin at 11:00 AM. All participants should arrange to be dropped off at the parade check in location since no through vehicles will be permitted. **NOTE:** The times listed are subject to change based on Conference USA's ability to change the start time of the MTSU homecoming game. All time changes will be communicated well before the parade date and all announcements will be made on all MTSU homecoming social media platforms.
10. **IMPORTANT:** The check in location is the parking lot at the corner of Bell Street and Highland. NO cars will be allowed to park in the parking lot beside Oakland Mansion. Individuals walking in the parade may park in the Bell Street parking garage. Carpooling is encouraged since parking is minimal.



Competitive Float Entries

Float decorations are a great way for your organization to display your MTSU pride and the homecoming theme. Organizations are welcome to collaborate to create a float to be shown during the parade. A float is best described as a decorated platform, either built on a vehicle, truck, or towed behind on a trailer. The rules stated in the General Parade Rules section will be considered along with the following:

1. All entry forms are due September 10 at 12:00 PM on MyMT.
2. Entries must be tasteful and support MTSU Blue Raider pride. The 2025 Homecoming Committee reserves the right to reject and/or disqualify any entry not in compliance with contemporary community standards.
3. All participants must conduct themselves in a respectable manner at all times. The 2025 Homecoming Committee reserves the right to limit individual students, alumni, or any other participant in the parade. If an individual cannot maintain the appropriate conduct as defined by contemporary community standards, then they will be asked to leave the parade, float, or vehicle. If the individual refuses to leave, their respective group will be immediately disqualified.
4. Where applicable, each group must designate a qualified, sober (meaning NO alcohol or substances have been consumed) driver as a part of their official entry. The 2025 Homecoming Committee reserves the right to determine the state of each driver and may disqualify a driver if they do not meet the above criteria. Upon disqualification of the driver, the entire entry will also be declared ineligible to participate in the parade.
5. All floats and vehicle entries must be approved for street operation in the state of Tennessee. This means all vehicles must be street legal with up to date tags, registration, and insurance, and the driver must have proper identification on them at all times.
6. No person is allowed to be inside the truck bed while it is in motion during the parade.
7. No person participating in the parade is allowed to enter or litter on any private property. This includes but is not limited to yards, businesses, churches, etc. If a group is found guilty of this, a 15 point penalty will be applied, and the group will be asked to leave the area.
8. Floats must have one working fire extinguisher on board at all times. Any entry that does not have a fire extinguisher will be disqualified. The 2025 Homecoming



Committee will be inspecting floats prior to the start of the parade to ensure all entries meet the requirement.

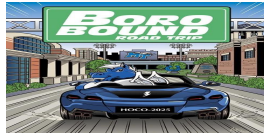
9. The location of the float construction site must be on the parade entry form. The 2025 Homecoming Committee and Parade Director reserve the right to visit each site at any time throughout the building process.
10. Any float that has movement must have consistent movement throughout the parade route.
11. All costumes and attire worn during the parade should be family friendly.
12. All size specifications will be strictly enforced. If an entry does not conform to the specifications, an automatic deduction of 5 points will be applied for every inch over the specified width, length, and height. The dimensions may not exceed:
 - Maximum Width: 9 ft.
 - Maximum Length: 16 ft.
 - Maximum Height (from wheel to top): 10 ft.
13. Float judging will be Friday September 19th, starting at 12:00 PM. Parade entries will be informed of their judging time prior to the parade. For the spirit aspect, spirit judges will be placed at strategic locations throughout the parade route. Floats will be judged on this rubric:
 - School spirit and incorporation of theme (float): 25%
 - School spirit and incorporation of theme (parade): 25%
 - Workmanship and color scheme: 30%
 - Originality and creativity: 20%



Non-Float Competitive Entries

The non-float entry is one of the less costly and more creative ways for organizations to be involved during the parade. If your organization wants to participate, but does not have the resources to build a float, this is the perfect way to participate. Organizations and individuals can choose to walk with a banner, vehicle, or golf cart in order to be recognized in the parade.

1. All entry forms are due September 10 at 12:00 PM on MyMT.
2. Non-float entries may be described as an organization driving a car or golf cart, or walking the parade route. An organization can have a decorated banner to represent their organization.
3. Participants should arrange to be dropped off at the parade check in location at the corner of Bell Street and Highland.
4. All participants must conduct themselves in a respectful manner at all times. The 2025 Homecoming Committee reserves the right to limit individual students, alumni, or other participants in the parade. If an individual participating cannot maintain the appropriate conduct as defined by contemporary community standards, then they will be asked to leave the parade, float, or vehicle. If they refuse to leave, their respective group will be immediately disqualified. Murfreesboro Police will then be contacted and the student will be sent to Judicial Affairs.
5. All participants must be dressed in MTSU colors (Blue, white, black) or in line with the 2025 homecoming theme while participating in the parade. Keep in mind that school spirit is considered for competition. Other MTSU spirit items (balloons, pompoms, signs, etc.) are encouraged.
6. All registered primary drivers should arrive to the parade starting at 9:00 AM to get their spot. Participants should be at the intersection of Bell Street and Highland one hour prior to the start of the parade (10:00 AM) to decorate their cart. The person responsible for the vehicle must check in with the parade director to receive access to their parade spot.
7. Each vehicle may only have one participant for every available seat in the vehicle. For example, if the vehicle has 5 seats with 5 seatbelts, then 5 individuals can ride in the vehicle. Other members of the organization can walk behind the vehicle in the parade.



8. Vehicle entries can choose to be decorated before they arrive or once they arrive to the parade location. If you wish to be judged, you must indicate it on the registration form. Judging will take place on the parade route.
9. Where applicable, each group must designate a qualified, sober (meaning NO alcohol or substances have been consumed) driver as a part of their official entry. The 2025 Homecoming Committee reserves the right to determine the state of each driver and may disqualify a driver if they do not meet the above criteria. Upon disqualification of the driver, the entire entry will also be declared ineligible to participate in the parade.



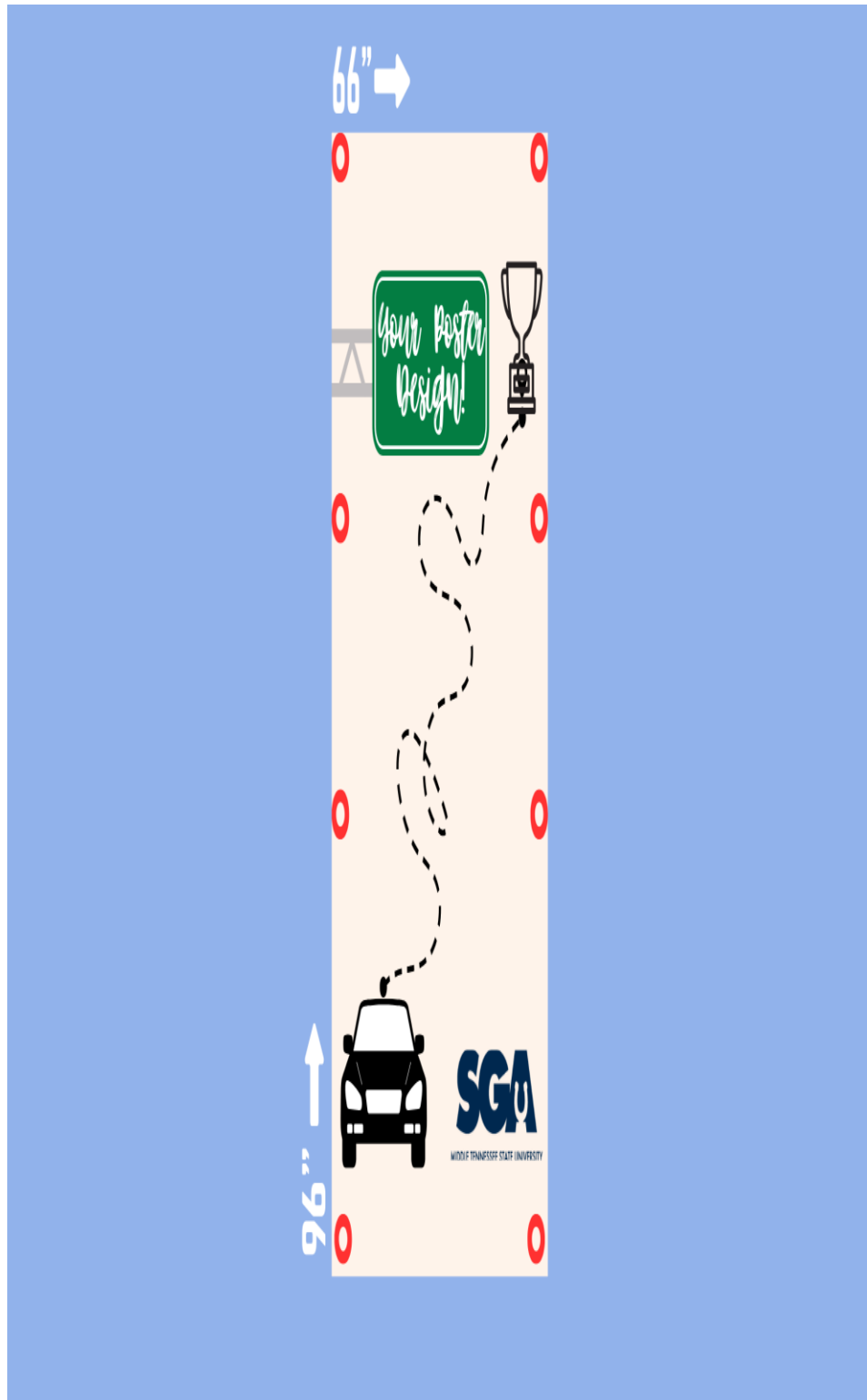
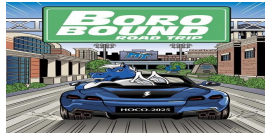
Banner Competition

This year, we are bringing back an old tradition of doing a banner competition! Each organization will be able to decorate a banner to hang on the side of Floyd Stadium to be appreciated throughout the week of Homecoming. Fans will be able to see the banners on gameday as well. This is an excellent opportunity to get involved if your organization has crafty members and a lot of Blue Raider spirit. The rules for this event are as follows:

1. The entry form must be completed before 12:00 PM on September 10.
2. Banners will be due to Student Union 306 (Student Government Association Office) no later than 4:00 PM on Friday September 12th for judging. Banners will be hung starting Saturday September 13th for viewing.
3. Organizations are encouraged to sign up for this event individually, but collaborations are always welcome!
4. Due to the area where the banners can be hung, we can only have 40 banners. This means that entry form submissions will be first come first served. If there are more than 40 submissions, the organizations who submitted last will be contacted.
5. The banner can not exceed the dimensions of a twin size flat sheet 66" by 96". If you have any questions regarding size, please contact sga.home@mtsu.edu.
6. The Homecoming Committee will provide the grommets and zip ties needed to hang the banner.

Design Specifications:

1. The banner must include your organization(s) name so we know who to assign points to.
2. When designing, please note that 6-8 grommets will need to be added to hang the banner.
3. Please refer to the sample picture provided to get a visual.

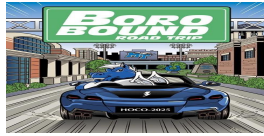




Paint the Halls Blue

Middle Tennessee State University's Paint the Halls Blue homecoming event will promote Blue Raider pride and showcase the creativity and dedication of our faculty. All departments, facilities, and on campus housing are strongly encouraged to participate in this competition. Each participating location should be decorated using MTSU's colors (blue, white, black) and take inspiration from the 2025 homecoming theme "Boro Bound Road Trip". Locations are encouraged to decorate as much of their area as possible. This includes but is not limited to inside, outside, office areas, and common spaces. Participants are encouraged to use their creativity to decorate in whatever manner they see best to show their MTSU spirit. An example of decorations could be streamers, window chalk, banners, colorful lights, costumes, etc. Decorations are expected to be displayed for the entirety of homecoming week, but must comply with all building and fire safety codes. This includes not blocking fire extinguishers/alarms, emergency air vents, sprinkler systems, lighting fixtures, etc. Faculty and students may collaborate for this competition. The rules for the competition are as follows

1. Entry forms are due September 10th by 12:00 PM on MyMT.
2. Each participating location should be decorated using MTSU colors and take inspiration from the 2025 homecoming theme.
3. Judging will occur Monday September 15th and continue throughout the week. All entries should be ready to be judged by this date.
4. The competition will be judged by the following scale:
 - School spirit and incorporation of theme: 40%
 - Quality of art, color, and workmanship: 30%
 - Originality and creativity: 30%



Intramurals

Homecoming games will be held on two dates: Sunday September 14th and Wednesday September 17th at the Campus Recreation Center. The first day of intramurals will be a round robin style, while the second day will be an invite only tournament based on performance from day one. All games will be used for both campus rec intramural points and homecoming points. **NOTE:** you must sign up for the intramural games through the Campus Rec website. When signing up, make sure that you are registering your teams as the organization you are representing. This will help when assigning points.

The 2025 Homecoming Intramurals hosted by Campus Rec will be

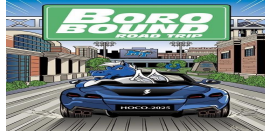
- Pickleball
- Dodgeball



Mac & Cheese Cookoff

We are so excited to be bringing back a Blue Raider fan favorite: the Mac & Cheese Cookoff! This event will be held in the Student Union Commons from 5:00 PM- 7:00 PM. There will be three categories for entries: community, student organizations, and alumni. We encourage everyone to participate and have fun at this event! The rules for the event are as follows:

1. The entry form for this event must be completed not later than 12:00 PM on September 10th on MyMT.
2. All catering supplies will be provided for participants. Participants will only need to bring their mac & cheese entry and table decorations. Groups will be provided with chafing dishes, sterno flames, serving dishes and utensils, a cafeteria style table, and two chairs.
3. Groups will be given a designated area of 10'x10'. Groups are encouraged to bring decorations to fill the space and represent their organization. The judges will be scoring based on appearance, incorporation of the 2025 homecoming theme, and school spirit. This could include but is not limited to school colors, Greek letters, banners for the front of the table, props, streamers, balloons, etc. We encourage groups to get as creative as possible!
4. Groups are encouraged, but not required, to set up over their area. This will help account for any light weather we may run into.
5. No more than 3 representatives will be allowed at each table. All members of organizations are encouraged to come, but no more than 3 "working" the table. These individuals should be identified on the entry form.
6. Mac & Cheese entries should arrive at serving temperature. The chafing dishes provided will only keep the mac & cheese at a safe, servable temperature. At the competition, there will be no way of cooking or reheating food. Keep this in mind when preparing your dish. All entries should be in the chafing dishes no later than 4:30 PM. If the mac & cheese is not in place by that time, there will be a 5 point deduction.
7. Groups may begin setting up at 3:00 PM. All groups must be checked in no later than 4:00 PM, and must be ready to begin serving at 4:45 PM. This means decorations should be complete, organizations are in place, and the mac & cheese is ready to be served. There will be a 5 point deduction for any team who is not ready by 4:45 PM.



8. All booths must remain set up and continue serving until the end of the event at 7:00 PM. If your booth runs out of mac & cheese, you must remain set up until 7:00 but we will notify that your entry has run out
9. All ingredients should be listed in the entry form, as well as any allergens