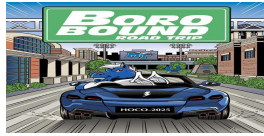




Parade and Non-Competitive Entries

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.