

"A STORYBOOK CHRISTMAS" Lighted Christmas Parade Entry Form

1st Saturday in December, 6:00 p.m.

Eastland, Texas

Name of Entry: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Check one: Mobile___ Home___ Work___

Email: _____

Check only one:

☐ Marching Band

☐ Walking Group (Non-musical)

☐ Auto

☐ Equestrian Unit

☐ 3- or 4-Wheel Vehicles (ATV's)

☐ Pageant Winner

☐ Float

☐ Bicycles, Skates

☐ Other: _____

If "Other", please describe:

See attached letter for additional information concerning the parade.

Please provide information below about your entry for parade announcer. Attach a sheet or write on the back if needed.

The Eastland Chamber of Commerce and Bartee Construction will not be responsible for accidents or damages.

Please return this form by **Friday, November 28th**

to: Eastland Chamber of Commerce

209 W. Main, Suite A; Eastland, TX 76448 or email to chamber@eastland.net .

For more information, please call 254.629.2332.

Dear Potential Parade Participant:

The Eastland Chamber of Commerce wants to invite you to attend the **“A STORYBOOK CHRISTMAS” Lighted Christmas Parade to be held on the first Saturday in December at 6:00pm.** We want to make the parade a great experience for participants and spectators. Below are rules and guidelines to ensure the parade runs safely and in a timely manner.

1. **NO ‘LIVE’ SANTAS ARE ALLOWED ON ANY ENTRIES OR FLOATS.** In order to preserve the magic of Christmas for children, we only have one Santa in the parade, which is already provided by the Eastland Chamber of Commerce. Thank you for your cooperation.
2. Remember, this is a lighted Christmas parade, all entries must be adorned with lights.
3. To ensure good parade pre-planning, the deadline for entries is **the last Friday in November.** Late entries will be allowed but will be lined up at the end of the parade, behind the horses, and will not be announced. **Parade line up will begin at 5:00 p.m. with photos for People’s Choice Judging at 5:30 p.m.**
4. Due to safety issues involving the throwing of candy and other items, **NO entry will be allowed to throw ANY items** to the spectators. Groups may provide people to walk along the parade route and pass out items to the crowd. **This will be strictly enforced at this event!**
5. In order to keep the parade moving at a reasonable pace, **there will be NO performances in front of the Grandstand.** However, we would love to have you perform in Grimes Memorial Garden at One Starry Night after the parade. Please contact Debbie Wharton at the Connellee Hotel to be added to the schedule at 254-631-0708.
6. It is a violation of City of Eastland Ordinances to accelerate or decelerate a vehicle excessively causing any of the wheels to leave the ground, (aka, “pop wheelies”), or to spin the wheels of a vehicle due to excessive acceleration. These activities create extreme dangers in a parade and will not be tolerated. **Violations will result in expulsion from the parade, potentially receiving a citation and being banned from participation in future Lighted Christmas Parades.**

We don’t want to be excessively restrictive. Yet, years of experience has shown us that enforcement of the above rules will help ensure an enjoyable event, un-marred by tragedy.

If you have any questions, please contact us at 254-629-2332 or send an e-mail to chamber@eastland.net. Forms can be emailed or mailed to Eastland Chamber of Commerce, 209 West Main Suite A, Eastland, TX 76448. We look forward to a fun, successful event!!

Sincerely,

The Eastland Chamber of Commerce