



City of Covina
Parks & Recreation Department

BAND APPLICATION



75th Annual Covina Christmas Invitational Parade
“Making Spirits Bright for 75 Years”
Saturday, December 5, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.

ENTRY DEADLINE: WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14 *or until filled, whichever occurs first*
There are a limited number of spaces for bands, so submit your application as soon as possible.

BAND ENTRY FEE: \$ 110

**PARADE FEE IS NONREFUNDABLE, UNLESS PARADE IS CANCELLED OR
ENTRY IS NOT ACCEPTED.**

BAND ENTRY POLICIES

- 1) **For the entertainment of spectators, bands are to play holiday music continuously throughout the parade route.** Parade Theme judges will be located on the route.
- 2) **Junior/Middle School bands will be accepted on a space-available basis only. Acceptance notification will be made by October 19. Middle Schools who are accepted must comply with the following policies:**
 - All members marching in Parade must be 11 years or older.
 - All members must be capable of marching for 2 miles and standing for prolonged periods.
 - Band must arrive in a single group by bus.
- 3) **Each Band Director must complete a phone orientation. Information regarding the orientation will be provided upon acceptance into Parade. *PLEASE NOTE: There has been a significant change this year for the arrival/drop off location for busses/bands. Therefore, completing this orientation is MANDATORY.***
- 4) **All bands will be allowed a maximum of 5 Band Aides on the Parade route. For larger bands, minimum Aide needs must be communicated to Parade Officials during the orientation. All Band Aides must be dressed in holiday or school spirit attire.**
- 5) **Pep/Spirit Units must complete a separate General Parade Entry Application.**

GENERAL PARADE POLICIES

- 1) **Any entry that fails to comply with the Parade policies and regulations may be disqualified from competition and/or removed from the Parade.** Submission of this application does not constitute or imply acceptance to the Parade.
- 2) **Entries are encouraged to use their imagination to help make the parade magical, exciting, and beautiful. Costumes and colorful decorations, along with enthusiastic and joyous participants, help set the mood of the parade for all in attendance.**
- 3) **All entries must maintain a forward motion at all times while on the parade route.**
- 4) **Costumes or décor of a violent or offensive nature are not permitted.**
- 5) **All parade participants must submit a hold harmless waiver, which will be provided by the City.**

For more information, please contact the Parks & Recreation Department at (626) 384-5340 or email cparade@covina.gov. Office hours Monday-Thursday and alternate Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

(Open Fridays are September 4 and 18; October 2 and 16.)



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Office Use Only:

Entry # _____
Score _____
Script _____

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Make checks payable to: City of Covina
Mail application and payment to: City of Covina Parks & Recreation Department
1250 North Hollenbeck Avenue, Covina CA 91722

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

☐ HIGH SCHOOL ☐ MIDDLE SCHOOL *(accepted on space-available basis)*

BAND NAME: _____

SCHOOL/SPONSOR: _____

BAND DIRECTOR: _____

CONTACT PERSON *(if different from Band Director)*: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: (DAY) _____ (EVENING) _____ EMAIL: _____

ALTERNATE CONTACT PERSON: _____ PHONE: _____

CONTACT PHONE NUMBER FOR PARADE DAY: _____

Will you be competing in any other events on this day? ☐ Yes or ☐ No

If yes, please specify event, location, and time: _____

Total number of band members: _____

Number of Vehicles for Band: Buses: _____ Equipment Vehicles: _____ (Note: Middle Schools must arrive by bus.)

☐ Check here if not arriving by bus and email your band's instructions for arrival and parking to cparade@covinaca.gov

Title of Holiday Theme Music (played on route): _____

Special needs or accommodations: _____

(Next page must be completed.)

INFORMATION FOR ANNOUNCERS (ALL BANDS MUST COMPLETE)

Provide the following information about your band that may be used to develop our Announcers' Script:

Something special or new about your band: _____

Significant Awards or Achievements: _____

Student Leaders and/or Drum Major: _____

Other information for the spectators to hear: _____

By signing below, I am certifying that I understand and agree to abide by all Covina Christmas Parade Policies.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

SUBMISSION OF THIS APPLICATION DOES NOT CONSTITUTE OR IMPLY ACCEPTANCE TO THE PARADE. ALL APPLICANTS WILL RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF WHETHER OR NOT THE ENTRY HAS BEEN ACCEPTED.

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL TO BE CONSIDERED FOR ENTRY.