

2026 Parade Participant Orientation

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Parade Overview

7:30 am – Street Closures

8:00 am – Arrivals Start

10:30 am – SAHPOO 5K Starts

11:00 am – Arrivals End

11:45 am – SAHPOO 5K Ends

12:00 pm – National Anthem

12:01 pm – Parade Step Off

2:30 pm – Last Entry Leaves Forming



Entry Assignments & Arrival Times

Before you leave today you will receive your position number and arrival time.

It is imperative that we adhere to the arrival times and arrival locations for a seamless lineup process.

All information will also be posted on our website at www.usmvpa.com



Parade Forming Area

For GPS driving directions, use: 904 W Martin St

The Bexar County Tax Assessor-Collector office at N. Pecos and Martin is the forming location for Walking Units, Marching Units, Vehicles, Dance Groups, Bike Groups, Equestrian Units.

FROM IH-35

Take the Frio Street exit north to Martin. Turn right onto Martin.

FROM IH-10 WEST

Take the lower-level Frio Street exit. Turn right onto Frio, then left onto Martin.



Parade Forming Area Map



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Floats, Trucks & Trailers

Forming Area

All parade floats and trucks pulling trailers will enter the forming area at W. Martin Street and San Saba. DO NOT USE THE TAX OFFICE HOLDING AREA.

FROM IH-35

Take the Frio Street exit north to Martin. Turn right and proceed under IH-35 to Martin and San Saba.

FROM IH-10 WEST

Take the lower-level Frio Street exit and turn right. At Martin, turn left and proceed under IH-35 to Martin and San Saba.



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Forming Area Parking

The UTSA Parking Office has graciously allowed us to use **Parking Lot D3** and the **Durango Lot** for parade parking.

Parking is **first come, first served**, and approximately 75 spaces in the Durango Lot will be reserved for another event.

IMPORTANT: All vehicles must display the official **Parade Parking Permit**. Please remember that the parking permit does not guarantee a parking space.



Drop off Zone

All buses or any participants being dropped off must do so using the drop off zone located at the corner of W. Martin Street & Leona Street.

All buses must enter the drop off zone using Frio Street. Once you have made your drop off you will proceed East on Martin Street to the Disbanding Area to wait for pick up.



Parade Disbanding & Parking Area

The parade disbanding area is on Jefferson between Martin and 4th Street.

Buses picking up students must use the disbanding area.

Participant parking: Martin between Navarro and Broadway (south curb), and Pecan between Navarro and Broadway (both sides). Parking pass required.



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