

KINGWOOD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC

PRESTON COUNTY BUCKWHEAT FESTIVAL

PARADES COMMITTEE

Candidates and Elected Officials Parade(s) Participation Information and Application Form

As a current elected public official or as a candidate for an elected public office, by meeting the parameters herein, you may participate in one or both of the following parades during the 2025 83rd Annual Preston County Buckwheat Festival.

Friday, September 26th School Community Day Parade

Saturday, September 27th , Farmers' Day Parade

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

Entry Fee: \$250.00 per vehicle per parade—limited to two (2) vehicles per parade.

Checks payable to the Kingwood Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. and submitted with your application. Memo Line: "Parade Entry Fee".

Provide: Your own vehicle, driver and signage.

Signage: Your name, office held or candidate for, as applicable acknowledge vehicle—"Vehicle Courtesy of....."

NO political or controversial issue(s) may be represented or alluded to in any way on any parade entry.

PARADE DAY:

Line-Up Logistics and Procedures:

Friday, September 26th School Community Day Parade

Line-up time 12:00 noon (DST) Parade begins at 2:00 PM (DST)

Saturday, September 27th , Farmers' Day Parade

Line-up time 10:00 AM (DST) Parade begins at 12:00 noon (DST)

Enter the parade line-up area on East High Street at its intersection with WV Route 7 East (Veterans Memorial Highway) at the Advance Auto Parts store.

You will be assigned a line-up number when you enter the line-up area on East High Street. These numbers are painted on the pavement.

Once lined up, a driver or person in charge **MUST** remain with your parade entry at all times.

The use of alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, and/or the misuse of prescription drugs by **any** parade participants before or during the parade(s) is **PROHIBITED** and may result in legal action by the local authorities. **NO** inappropriate language or behavior by **any** parade participant(s), intoxicated or otherwise, **WILL BE TOLERATED.**

Parade Route Procedures:

Maintain forward movement and distance from other parade entries as directed by parade staff/firemen.

NO SOLICITING, THROWING OR HANDING OUT OF ANY ITEMS: Because of the safety hazard it presents, the throwing from floats or other parade entries and/or the handing out of any objects, (Candy, pennies, balloons, printed materials or any other such items.), or soliciting directly to parade participants within the line-up area or spectators along the parade route before or during the parade(s) is **PROBIBITED.**

NO USE OF LOUD HORNS, SIRENS, ETC.

You **MUST** participate through the entire parade route.

At the end of the parade(s) on South Price Street, KVFD firemen will direct you to **A SPECIFIC SITE TO PARK.** To avoid blocking the flow of the parade(s) and emergency vehicles, **DO NOT PARK** until directed to do so by a KVFD fireman. Once parked, disembark riders as safely and quickly as possible and quickly tear down your parade entry if needed. Once torn down, move out of this parade/festival congested area to make room for other floats and parade entries to accomplish these same tasks. If you do not need to disembark riders or tear down your parade entry, advise the firemen and they will direct you out of town.

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PRESTON COUNTY BUCKWHEAT FESTIVAL PARADES
COMMITTEE

CANDIDATES AND ELECTED OFFICIALS

PARADE(S) PARTICIPATION APPLICATION FORM

Participation in The (Check One or Both):

_____ School/Community Day Parade: Friday, September 26TH, 2025

_____ Farmers' Day Parade, Saturday, September 27TH, 2025

Number of Vehicles Entered _____ (Maximum of Two (2) Vehicles per Parade)

DISCLAIMER AND AGREEMENT:

The board of directors of the Kingwood Volunteer Fire Department, Inc., or their designee, reserves the right to screen and approve or reject any or all requests or applications to participate in our parades. The right is further reserved by the above to exclude objectionable, or unsafe parade entries, or inappropriate, non-compliant participants once observed in the parade line-up area or during participation in the parade(s).

We **will not** hold the Kingwood Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. nor the Preston County Buckwheat Festival or subdivisions thereof liable for any personal injuries or property damages caused to persons or objects participating in, or viewing either parade as a result of our parade participation. We understand that we are participating at our own risk.

We respectfully request that you cooperatively comply with these instructions, requests, and any directives made by the Parade Marshal(s), parade staff, and/or firemen. THANK YOU!

Name: _____ Date: _____

Public Office: _____

Telephone No.: (Day) _____ (Evening) _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Complete Mailing address--P. O. Box, Route or Street: _____

City/State: _____ Zip: _____

ONLY WRITTEN ENTRIES are accepted and **MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE**
SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2025 **NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED BY PHONE.**

Submit your check made payable to Kingwood Volunteer Fire Department, Inc and this Parade(s)
Participation Application Form to:

Mrs. Sabrea Funk
Parades Coordinator/Parade Marshal
School Community Day and Farmers' Day Parades
480 Grimmtown Rd
Tunnelton, WV 26444