



PRESS RELEASE

The Washington High School Band and its booster organization will be hosting their annual Band Festival on Saturday, October 2nd 2021 at the Washington High School. As part of the festival, there will be a parade that morning, consisting of 12 bands, from downtown Washington to the high school starting at 830AM and is anticipated to be over between 10AM and 11AM.

Those needing to travel from one side of town to the other between 820AM and 11AM via West Main, Jefferson, 5th Street & 8th Street will need to identify alternative routes to avoid delays.

Band Staging Area & Parade Route Restrictions:

- West Main from Olive to Cedar is closed to all traffic from 6AM to the end of the parade.
- Pine between West Main and West 2nd is closed to all traffic from 6AM to the end of the parade.
- Cedar between West Main and West 2nd is closed to all traffic from 6AM to the end of the parade.
- No parking will be allowed on West Main between Cedar and Jefferson starting at 6AM and is closed to all traffic from 820AM to the end of the parade.
- No parking will be allowed on Jefferson between West Main and East 8th starting at 6AM and is closed to all traffic from 820AM to the end of the parade.
- No parking will be allowed on East 8th between Jefferson and Sunnyside starting at 6AM and is closed to all traffic from 820AM to the end of the parade.
- No parking will be allowed on Sunnyside between East 8th and Blue Jay starting at 6AM and will be closed to all traffic from 820AM to the end of the parade.

- East 8th between MacArthur and Sunnyside is closed to all westbound traffic and will be detoured Northbound onto MacArthur towards East 5th. from 820AM to the end of the parade. Parking will be allowed on East 8th between MacArthur & Sunnyside.

Festival Area Restrictions:

- Sunnyside between Blue Jay and East 11th is closed to all traffic from 6AM to midnight on 10/02/2021.
- Blue Jay between East 14th and Hwy 47 is closed to all traffic from 6AM to midnight on 10/02/2021.
- No left turns from Northbound Hwy 47 onto Blue Jay will be allowed from 6AM to midnight on 10/02/2021.
- No Right turns from Southbound Hwy 47 onto Blue Jay will be allowed from 6AM to midnight on 10/02/2021.

All visitors must enter the grounds at East 14th and Blue Jay on foot or by shuttle bus. The bus will be in operation from 8AM to close with visitors being picked up ten minutes from Mercy South (Patients First). Handicapped parking is available on campus and a valid handicapped placard or license plate is required for access at the 14th Street entrance.

Please be respectful of neighboring business & residential areas when finding a location to park. No parking, drop-offs or pick-up's will be allowed along Hwy 47 in the area of the high school. Those traveling through the area of the festival should exercise heightened caution due to increased congestion and pedestrian traffic.

We appreciate everyone's understanding and patience as the events on 10/02/2021 take place. All of the band directors, staff, students and families worked hard to make this event happen.

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