

2025 CREOLE FESTIVAL PARADE

Sunday, November 9, 2025

11:00 AM

RULES AND REGULATIONS – PARTICIPATES FORM ALL PARADE UNITS MUST PAY A FEE TO PARTICIPATE

PLEASE PROVIDE THE NUMBER OF UNITS PARTICIPATING WITH YOUR ORGANIZATION AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION.

ALL UNITS	\$100.00/unit
ELEMENTARY/HIGH SCHOOL UNIT	NO CHARGE

FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.

DEADLINE TO ENTER: OCTOBER 24, 2025 AT NOON

A MANDATORY MEETING WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 3, AT 6:00 PM IN THE PARISH LIFE CENTER **NO PASSES WILL BE GIVEN ON PARADE DAY**

This is a Holy Ghost Catholic Church SPONSORED FAMILY EVENT. THE FOLLOWING RULES AND REGULATIONS WILL BE ENFORCED:

1. **Initials**_____ Parade will lineup at Landry St. and Academy with lineup to begin at **9:00 A.M.** The parade route will start on the corner of Academy St. and Landry St., take a right turn onto Union Street to Holy Ghost Church and disband at the parking lot at corner of Main Street and Prudhomme Lane (old Food Liner IGA shopping center parking lot). Those arriving late for lineup will be placed at the end of the parade.. **Lineup ZONES: Zone A-** Corner of Landry St. & Academy, **Zone B-** Landry St. to Wallior St., **Zone C-** Wallior St., and **Zone D-** North Wallior St.& E. Grolee Street.
 - a. NO parking allowed at **CVS, Post Office, or St. Landry Church**
2. **Initials**_____ All units **MUST** check-in at parade checkpoint. You must have a pass with your assigned number. Pass must be visible at all times on the Driver's Side Windshield. Only those entries registered and having paid the appropriate fee will gain access to the parade. Entry into parade will not be allowed without a pass.
3. **Initials**_____ Our theme this year is **"We Are One in the Spirit"** All units must FOLLOW this theme celebrating our CREOLE Community and Heritage. All parade units must be identified! A sign or poster with the name of the individual or group must be attached to the unit, as well as the designated number of the unit.
 - a. **NO R.I.P. verbiage ALLOWED.**
 - b. **"In Memory of" units of deceased must stay within our theme.**

Signage must Read:

 - **Owner/Business Name**
 - **Owner/Founder DOB & Date of Death**
 - **Pictures are ALLOWED**
4. **Initials**_____ Only individuals participating in the parade will be allowed at the lineup.
5. **Initials**_____ **Absolutely no alcoholic beverages allowed on parade units!!! The consumption of alcohol is strictly prohibited on/in units during the parade. Those riding in units will not be allowed to participate in a state of intoxication. Fees will not be refunded.**
6. **Initials**_____ **No glass containers, bar-be-que pits, or cooking equipment allowed.**
7. **Initials**_____ **Political promotions/advertisements are strictly prohibited.**
 - a. **The words VOTE, ELECT, RE-ELECT, OR CANDIDATES' NUMBER is NOT ALLOWED ANYWHERE ON UNIT or PARADE PARTICIPANTS ATTIRE**
8. **Initials**_____ **Only approved music on units. No loud, vulgar, or explicit music allowed.**
9. **Initials**_____ **Indecent dancing or attire will not be allowed.**
10. **Initials**_____ **Only approved throws will be allowed. Trinkets must be child safe, individually wrapped candy or beads. Drivers of the units are not allowed to throw.**
11. **Initials**_____ **Creole Festival officials and/or law enforcement officers reserve the right remove any participant from the parade at any time for not following the above required guidelines or for inappropriate behavior as deemed by Creole Festival Officials!**

12. **Initials**_____ Entries with children under the age of 18 must have parents or adult chaperones riding and or walking alongside the float. Persons/organizations entering parade are required to ensure the safety of persons riding on their unit. Persons riding on floats or trailers must be seated. All flatbeds and trailers must have side rails. **4-WHEELERS, HORSES, LIVE ANIMALS OR SPECIES, 18-WHEELERS, DOUBLE UTILITY TRAILERS AND DOUBLE DECKER FLOATS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE PARADE.** All Persons/organizations participate at their own risk.
13. **Initials**_____ Participant Limit is as follow: **Trailers 15 people / Floats 20-25 people / Truck Beds 6 people. No walkers EXCEPT chaperones AND walking groups.**
14. **Initials**_____ All Units must remain in motion. **NO stopping on ROUTE.**
15. **Initials**_____ Failure to Comply with the rules and regulations of this contract will terminate any future participation in the Holy Ghost Creole Festival Parade.

I hereby certify that I have read and been given a copy of the attached parade rules and regulations regarding the Creole Festival Parade and will abide by them. I understand that participation is voluntary. Failure to abide by any of the rules/regulations listed will result in my unit being asked to exit the parade route. I also understand that no refunds will be given.

Signature of Responsible Party

Date

Holy Ghost Catholic Church
2025 Creole Festival Parade
Sunday, November 9, 2025
Line-up 9:00 AM
Parade 11:00 AM

Lineup Number(s): _____
(For office use only)

Official Name of Unit: _____

Number of Entries: _____

Type & Number of Units: ___ ☐ Car ___ ☐ Truck ___ ☐ Float ___ ☐ Marching Group
 ___ ☐ Truck & Flatbed ***NO 18-Wheelers, Double Utility Trailers OR Double Decker Floats Allowed)**

Driver's Name (must submit copy of license & insurance): _____

Make/Year/Model of each unit: _____
(must submit copy of insurance)

Music on unit: ☐ yes ☐ no If yes, type of music: _____

Throws: ☐ yes ☐ no If yes, describe: _____

Contact person: _____

Address:_____

Phone Number: _____

Signed by:

Print Name & Title

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

cc: PARADE CHAIR

FEE ASSESSED

- ☐ PRIVATE UNIT - \$100.00
- ☐ SOCIAL ORGANIZATION - \$100.00
- ☐ TRUCK & FLATBED - \$100.00
- ☐ FLOAT - \$100.00
- ☐ COMMERCIAL/BUSINESS UNIT - \$100.00
- ☐ ELEM/HIGH SCHOOL UNIT – NO CHARGE

DATE: _____

AMT. PD.: _____ **Initials** _____

☐ CHECK ☐ CASH

☐ MONEY ORDER

	Yes	No
Copy of Drivers license received	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Copy of insurance card received	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Indemnity agreement signed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Volunteer Driver form received	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

PASSES GIVEN TO: _____

For Questions regarding the 2025 Parade:
Please contact Church office or Parade Chair
HGC Parish Office 337-942-2732
Dana Baloney 337-692-3119

Reviewed and Approved by: _____ Date: _____

2025 Creole Festival **ACTIVITY PARTICIPANT** **HOLD HARMLESS/INDEMNITY AGREEMENT**

PARISH: Holy Ghost Catholic Church

PARISH is understood to include the **Diocese of Lafayette**

ACTIVITY PARTICIPANT: _____

DATE OF USE: November 9, 2025

TYPE OF ACTIVITY: 2025 Creole Festival Parade

HOLD HARMLESS/INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

The above named **ACTIVITY PARTICIPANT** agrees to defend, protect, indemnify, and hold harmless **HOLY GHOST CATHOLIC CHURCH** and the **DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE** against and from all claims arising from the negligence or fault of the above named **ACTIVITY PARTICIPANT** or any of its agents, family members, officers, volunteers, helpers, partners, organizational members, or associates in connection with the operations or participation of the above named **ACTIVITY** at the above named event.

ACTIVITY PARTICIPANT agrees to provide a certificate of insurance to **HOLY GHOST CHURCH**, which provides evidence of general liability and non-owned auto coverage of not less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000) per occurrence. **ACTIVITY PARTICIPANT** also agrees to have **HOLY GHOST CATHOLIC CHURCH** and the **DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE** named as "Additional Insured," on its general liability policy for the **DATES OF THE 2025 CREOLE FESTIVAL** in relationship to the **PARADE**'s activities. It is agreed that **ACTIVITY PARTICIPANT** also agrees to ensure that its liability insurance policy will be primary in the event of a covered claim or cause of action against **HOLY GHOST CATHOLIC CHURCH** and/or the **DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE**.

If and only if **ACTIVITY PARTICIPANT** fails to comply with the above (second) paragraph, then **ACTIVITY PARTICIPANT** agrees to protect, defend, hold harmless, and fully indemnify **HOLY GHOST CATHOLIC CHURCH** and the **DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE** for any claim or cause of action whatsoever which takes place during the identified **DATE(S) OF USE** that is brought against **HOLY GHOST CATHOLIC CHURCH** and/or the **DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE** by the above named **ACTIVITY PARTICIPANT** or its employees, agents, guests, invitees, customers, partners, family members, organizational members and associates, even if such claim arises from the alleged negligence of **HOLY GHOST CATHOLIC CHURCH** or the **DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE**, its employees or agents or the negligence of any other individual or organization not a party to this agreement. If any paragraph or sentence of this agreement is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance thereof, shall continue in full legal force and effect.

By signing below, parties agree to all terms and conditions herein.

SIGNED by: _____

Date: _____

Print Name & Title: _____

PARTICIPANT DRIVER FORM

Holy Ghost Volunteer Drivers Form

Name of Driver: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

_____ Phone #: _____

Driver's License #: _____ State Issued: _____

Year, Make & Model of Vehicle: _____

Insurance Company's Name: _____

Liability Limits: _____

(Minimum Limits of \$100,000/\$300,000 Required)

Participant Unit Name: _____

In order to provide for the safety of those we serve, we must ask each volunteer driver to list all accidents or moving violations they have had in the last three years:

Please be aware that as a participant volunteer driver, your insurance is primary.

Certification

I certify that the information given on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that as a participant driver, I must be 21 years of age or older, possess a valid driver's license, have the proper and current license and vehicle registration, and have the required insurance coverage in effect on any vehicle used in the Creole Festival Parade. I agree that I will refrain from driving under the influence of drugs and or alcohol, using a cell phone or any other electronic device, or engaging in activity that will distract me while operating my vehicle.

Participant Driver Signature

Date