

Dunedin Mardi Gras Logistics and FAQ's

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When	What	Where	Notes
Tue, Feb 13			
5:00pm-5:15pm	Equipment Truck Loading	Tropicana Field (near buses).	All Auxiliary equipment and large instruments must be loaded by 5:15am. If you have equipment for the truck, please plan accordingly. No late loading!
5:30 PM Sharp 5:30 PM Sharp!	Buses Leave St. Petersburg for the parade. Expecting 5 buses.	Tropicana Field. Park in the Southeast corner of the parking lot near 4th Ave South and 10 th Street South. We are parking in Lot 9 (not Lot 6 as in previous years).	Buses leave at 5:30pm SHARP and cannot wait. If you miss the bus, please see driving directions below. Bring a bottle or two of water with you. Short parade (1 mile) but stay hydrated! Guard equipment and instruments can go on our equipment truck. Parking Passes for Tropicana Field are attached to this document.
Various	Drivers leave for Dunedin to arrive by 6:15pm! There will be a lot of traffic and congestion. Give yourself plenty of time to get there and find parking!	Dunedin Stadium (Toronto Blue Jays) 373 Douglas Avenue, Dunedin FL Parking will be tight. Band staging is in the stadium parking lot with the other two bands (East Lake HS and Palm Harbor University HS). Our parade step-off number is 18 of 44.	We strongly recommend due to congestion and street closures that you ride the bus! If you must drive, please meet us in the Dunedin Stadium parking lot by 6:15PM (target earlier if you can). Remember, you'll need to get back to your car after the parade as well (walk). We have no band logistics available for that. The parade is only one mile long. Remember if you drive, as the starting time approaches, traffic in this area will become very congested, many of the streets will be closed to traffic, and parking will be limited. PARK AS CLOSE TO THE STADIUM AS YOU CARE TO AND WALK TO THE PARKING LOT TO FIND THE BAND. Please allow yourself ample time to arrive.
6:15 PM or So	Buses arrive and unload at the Dunedin Mardi Gras Parade Staging Area. We are expected to offload quickly so that the buses can get out of the way!	Buses Enter Union Street turn from Lexington street disband and band members to walk thru the library parking lot to the stadium parking lot our assigned area. A Parade Captain will meet us to direct us. Bus drivers should drop off and proceed to Huntley Ave.	If you are driving, you will meet the band at Dunedin Stadium Parking Lot (see above). Please note that the parade ends one mile down the road. Drivers will of course need to return to their cars after the parade. Please, no individual playing of instruments while waiting! Tag Alongs, if any, should leave the buses with the band and find a viewing areas at/toward the end of the parade. As the Rounders march through, follow the band (on the sidewalk) back to the buses, Never walk in the street with the band.
6:30 PM or So	Buses leave for		Parade Captain will verify bus locations.

	pick-up area on Huntley Ave.		
6:30 PM-6:45 PM	"Light Management"		Section Leaders will assist you in applying your LED lights for the parade. PLEASE LEAVE THE LIGHTS OFF TILL WE STEP-OFF TO ORESEVE THE BATTERIES! For the band, lights will be applied to your pant legs with safety pins. There will be some preparation including scotch tape to "right size" the light strings.
6:45 PM	Bill will set the parade block!		
7:00 PM	Parade Starts		
7:20 PM or so	Rounders expected to Step-Off		Being a short parade, we will play the parade tune...a lot!
7:50 PM	Rounders end Parade		The Parade ends at the corner of Douglas and State Rd 580. All units will turn right. Parade Captains will direct you to the right or left. Watch for directions. Bands/ Walkers will be directed to the left and left again to the Pinellas trail. Band Buses only for pick up will be staged on Huntley Ave.
8:20 PM or so	Buses leave Dunedin from Tropicana Field. Should arrive by 9:00 PM		

Miscellaneous Parade Notes:

- Auxiliary Equipment and large instruments will be transported in the equipment truck. Please be there by 5:00 PM to load!
- Musicians will only need the Parade Tune with them. We will not be playing any other music this trip.
- Only take off the bus what you need to march; plus water. The buses will drop us off and are required to leave right away. Cases, etc., will go back on the buses please!
- A relatively short parade...just about One Mile.
- There is NO planned SAG Wagon at this time, this is a shorter parade. Any Band member that falls out will be directed to parade left or parade right. Band Aides will help you get back to the bus. The buses will not be waiting for stragglers.
- Water will be staged (as last time) at the Equipment truck for members to pick up prior to getting on the bus home.

Have fun all! Lee

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February 13, 2018



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