

## Santa's Parade of Lights - School Challenge

### The Goal:

The "School Challenge" component of the Santa's Parade of Lights has been created to:

- inspire a "friendly" competition amongst local students and their schools
- increase attendance to the parade by local youth
- inform local students of the on-going volunteer opportunities that exist and are associated with the event
- provide an opportunity to "showcase" the talents that exists within the schools musical; arts; shop; drama programs.
- add an additional component to the parade that remains for many years to come.
- attract additional sponsors that are more geared to this specific demographic

### Parade Documentation:

The Parade Chairman will ensure that all participants will receive an outline of challenge judging criteria; parade rules; parade structure criteria and awards.

The Parade Chairman will ensure that all "judging criteria" has been provided to the judging panel.

The Parade Chairman will ensure that all eligible competitors will be listed and provided to the judging panel.

The Parade Chairman will ensure that awards are provided to winners within a timely period.

### High "School Challenge" (Grade 7 - 12)

All participants must be a representative of a local High School, from any school board that exists within Ontario. All criteria regarding float structure and safety rules will remain the same as outlined in documentation found on the parade website. The Parade Chairman will be responsible for identifying how many spots are available for this challenge and what support will be provide. Support is defined by equipment; financial funds; or accessories.

## Elementary "School Challenge" (Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6 beginning in '09)

All participants must be a representative of a local Elementary School, from any school board that exists within Ontario. All criteria regarding float structure and safety rules will remain the same as outlined in documentation found on the parade website. The Parade Chairman will be responsible for identifying how many spots are available for this challenge and what support will be provide. Support is defined by equipment; financial funds; or accessories.

### Judging Criteria: (Example)

- 5 = Excellent
- 4 = Very Good
- 3 = Good
- 2 = Satisfactory
- 1 = Needs Improvement

#### Areas To Be Judged:

- **Effort** - Adherence to the rules, theme, organization and planning
- **Theme** - Adherence to the chosen theme, effective presentation of theme
- **Appearance and Originality** - Style, presentation, overall appearance, audience response and originality
- **Participation** - From children on float, from the audience, community spirit, enthusiasm from members of the group

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