

WESTERN WELCOME WEEK GRAND PARADE SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 2025

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARADE PARTICIPANTS

On behalf of the Western Welcome Week Grand Parade Committee, the Western Welcome Week Board of Directors, and our generous sponsors—AdventHealth Littleton, Bradford Auto Body, Inc., Central Bank, Lang Investment Group, and Littleton City Lifestyle—we are excited to welcome you to the 97th Western Welcome Week community celebration and confirm your entry in this year's Grand Parade: **"The Spirit of Generosity!"**

PARADE ROUTE

The one-mile parade route begins at Gallup Street and Littleton Boulevard, travels west through downtown Littleton, turns south on Rapp Street, and ends at Arapahoe Community College (ACC) for disbanding (A map and detailed directions are enclosed for your convenience).

PARKING & SHUTTLES

Please note that parking is limited near the staging area. Free Littleton Public School's buses will run between Arapahoe Community College (ACC) and the staging area beginning at **8:00am** and ending at **9:15am**. After the parade, these shuttles will also return participants to the staging area if needed.

EQUESTRIANS

Meet at Arapahoe Community College parking lot at 5900 South **Santa Fe Drive** and Church Streets (**in Parking Lot B on the East Side of the low north building on Church Street**). Water will be available for the horses. A police escort will lead equestrian units from ACC to the registration and staging area at 8:30 a.m. Or if you are a smaller equestrian entry and prefer to go directly to the staging area, please use the directions for floats and vehicles.

MARCHING BAND BUSES AND TRAILERS

After dropping off your students at the parade start, parking is designated for marching band buses and trailers at Arapahoe Community College (ACC) **Lot A**.

STAGING DETAILS

- Staging begins at **8:00am**
- Final check-in is at **9:30am**
- Registration is located at the **southwest corner of Gallup Park and Library Lane**

We ask that one designated person from your group checks in and then directs the rest of your group to your assigned location. Your **entry number and staging location** will be provided at check-in. Due to last-minute adjustments, we are unable to provide parade positions in advance—please do not call the Western Welcome Week office requesting this information. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation.

PARADE START

At approximately **9:15am**, a parade official will escort your entry to your parade position if you haven't been placed already. We thank the Rotary Club of Littleton for taking the lead in the Parade Staging volunteers. Please maintain **at least 15 feet** between entries to ensure a smooth and safe parade experience.

SAFETY REMINDERS

- **Absolutely no items may be thrown or handed out** along the parade route due to insurance and safety regulations
- Any violations of this policy may result in exclusion from future parades.
- The parade proceeds along the **north side of Littleton Boulevard**, with a maximum street width of **24 feet** between Rio Grande and Rapp Streets. Please plan maneuvers accordingly and keep forward momentum throughout the parade.

DESTAGING

All entries will disband at Arapahoe Community College (Church Street & Santa Fe Drive). Parade officials, police officers and Arapahoe Rescue Patrol will be on hand to assist with traffic flow and spacing throughout the route. We thank them for their support!

WATER AND SUNSCREEN

It could be a hot dry day. Please plan on bringing water or other fluids to keep everyone in your unit hydrated. Also, bring plenty of sunscreen. Scouting America Scouts will be selling water along the staging area – Gallup Street.

PORT-A-LETS

Port-a-lets will be positioned along the parade staging area at Gallup and Shepperd, on the corner of Gallup and Lakeview, halfway between Littleton Blvd. and Lakeview, and at the end of the parade route in the ACC parking lot at Church and Rapp.

WESTERN SANDWICH BREAKFAST

United Methodist Church Women serve a delicious breakfast sandwich, pecan rolls, and beverages from 6:30am - 10am – on the patio at the northeast side of the church, which is on the corner of Shepperd and Datura (5894 S. Datura St.).

AWARDS

Winning entries will be posted at **1:30pm** at the Western Welcome Week Information Booth (NW corner of Nevada & Main Streets).

- Monetary awards for marching bands will be mailed by the end of August
- Certificates for other category winners will be mailed following the event

STAY FOR THE FUN!

After the parade, we invite you to continue celebrating with:

- The Maker/Crafter Fair
- Main Stage and Bega Park entertainment
- Food booths, roving performers, and more festivities downtown!

Thank you for joining us in the Western Welcome Week Grand Parade and our 97th celebration. We look forward to seeing you and showcasing **The Spirit of Generosity!**

Mike Giesen and Cathy Weaver – Parade Co-Chairs, and the WWW Parade Committee