ARTigas Parade
RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Any Group over five participants must register as a Group by completing the ARTigas Parade Entry Form and must arrive at the staging area at their designated time.

2. All registered participants in the parade must reflect the spirit of ARTigas as a celebration of the Arts by either being in costume, riding on or carrying decorated items, or expressing your artistic nature in some way.

3. If your parade entry includes a licensed vehicle you must include that information in your parade entry form and be prepared to show proof of a valid driver’s license and proof of valid auto insurance.

4. Animals in costume are welcome to participate in the parade but their participation must be disclosed in the parade entry form. All animals must either be on a leash or secured in a cage or container as to not run loose during the parade.

5. Musical instruments, homemade or otherwise, are welcome and encouraged but must be disclosed in the parade entry form so logical placement in the parade may be made.

6. Parade participants may not throw items from their entry. Items may be distributed by participants who are walking by approaching the spectators on the sidewalk or edge of the roadway. Any items being distributed must be listed in the parade entry form for approval prior to the parade.

7. No entries may present a safety hazard to other participants or the audience/spectators. No weapons or items that could be viewed as weapons are allowed.

8. Profanity and nudity are prohibited. All entries must be suitable for family viewing.

9. No one who is under the influence of drugs or alcohol may participate in the parade.

10. Children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult supervisor.

11. Parade organizers reserve the right to refuse any entry at any time.

12. The parade will take place rain or shine.

13. All participants will follow the instructions of the parade organizers, parade marshals and local/campus authorities. Parade marshals and officials have the authority to remove any participant from the parade who does not abide by these rules and regulations.

Staging instructions will be emailed to you by April 30. Questions may be directed to the NIU Office of Special Events at 815-753-1999 or ellen@niu.edu.