



**Cottage Grove Strawberry Fest  
Monster Bash Parade  
Saturday October 28, 2017**

The 2017 Monster Bash Halloween parade planning is underway. The Cottage Grove Strawberry Fest is excited to invite you to be a participant!

We are excited once again to have the opportunity to put together another community event! So get those creative juices running and put together a theme for another fantastic parade! The parade will be held on Saturday, October 28th, 2017 with line-up beginning at 8:00 a.m. The parade entrants judging will begin at 9:15 a.m. with step off at 10:00 a.m. SHARP! Trophies will be awarded for Most Creative 1st Place, Most Creative 2nd Place, Most Creative 3rd Place, Halloween Spirit Award and Best Group.

The parade route will once again run from the ISD #833 Service Center (across from McDonalds) to the District Program Center next to Country Inn & Suites.

Enclosed is the Monster Bash Parade registration form. Please mail your completed form to: Cottage Grove Strawberry Fest, Attn: Monster Bash Parade, PO Box 512, Cottage Grove, MN 55016. The registration deadline is October 20, 2017. Please note there is limited space for parade line-up and we will have a limited number of spaces for entrants. If you are interested in being in the parade get your application in ASAP to reserve your spot. We will take applications on a first come, first serve basis.

- **Participants are asked not to throw or hand out any type of objects from a float/car into the crowd**, in order to avoid potential injury to parade onlookers and/or children. Walkers are the only participants that may hand out these times. Please be sure that candy is tossed to the curb in order to keep children safe while they retrieve candy.
- **Stopping is not allowed** in the parade at any point unless directed by a parade official. All units are required to maintain forward motion at all times; no maneuvers should slow the parade or cause gaps, please stay approx. 25-30' from the parade unit in front of you. Please alert anyone walking in your unit that they must keep up with your unit and again absolutely nothing should be thrown from the center of the street or a moving vehicle. **There must be constant forward progress of the parade.**
- **All units** must have responsible adult supervision on/and around the float at all times. Adults **MUST** accompany and supervise children, youth organizations, school groups, or non-profit groups with children participating.

If you have any questions regarding the parade or would like more information regarding Strawberry Fest, please feel free to contact us directly or visit our website at [www.cottagegrovestrawberryfest.com](http://www.cottagegrovestrawberryfest.com).

Come and have a “ghouling” good time!

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**Cottage Grove Strawberry Fest  
Monster Bash Parade Waiver and Agreement**

I/ we as members and representatives of the undersigned unit/ organization have agreed, for our benefit, to participate in the Cottage Grove Strawberry Fest Parade. By doing so, I/we agree to the following requirements:

Cottage Grove Strawberry Fest, Parade Director and other staff, volunteers and members will be held harmless against any misfortunes that may arise. Including but not limited to personal injury to myself or others in my organization, damage or loss of any property belonging to myself or those in my organization.

I/ we hereby waive and release any claim we have or may have in the future against the Cottage Grove Strawberry Fest, Parade Director, committee members and volunteers. Furthermore I/ we release any claim for any other damage that I/ we might sustain, whether or not caused in whole or in part by the negligence of such officers, directors, partners, and volunteers, which occurs during or as a result of our participation in the Cottage Grove Strawberry Fest Parade.

Furthermore, I agree that I or anyone operating a vehicle in the Cottage Grove Strawberry Fest Parade or in conjunction with the event has a valid driver's license or drive such a vehicle and is accompanied by the appropriate vehicle and liability insurance.

I/ we understand that the pertinent parade line up information will be provided to me/ us approximately two (2) days prior to the event, and will be available only on our website [www.cottagegrovestrawberryfest.com](http://www.cottagegrovestrawberryfest.com). I/we understand that if we arrive for line up late that we forfeit our position in the lineup and will be placed within the line up at the discretion of the director, at the end, or not at all.

I/ we agree that there will be no use of Alcohol, Fireworks, Explosives or any other items that may be considered illegal, dangerous, or inappropriate for a public event. Furthermore, we understand that the Cottage Grove Strawberry Fest Parade Director and his/her representatives are the final authority in decisions of appropriateness and we agree to abide by his/her decisions.

Finally, I/ we agree to and will uphold the rules set forth by the Cottage Grove Strawberry Fest Parade Director, including but not limited to, parade units and the laws regarding consumption of alcohol by drivers, passengers, or unit participants during line up, on the parade unit, along the parade route or at the end of the parade.

Please return this signed waiver with your parade application and entry fee.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

# 2017 Cottage Grove Strawberry Fest Monster Bash

## Parade Application Form

Saturday, October 28, 2017

10:00 AM SHARP!

Rain or Shine

Name of Unit \_\_\_\_\_

### TYPE OF UNIT:

Politician (each person even if you team up with others)     Business     Band     Horses/Animals  
 Royalty/Festival

Other (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Parade Unit Size:	Music:	# of People:	# of Vehicles:
Length w/tow _____ ft	None _____	Riding _____	Car _____
Height _____ ft	Recorded _____	Walking _____	Truck _____
Width _____ ft	Live/Band _____	Marching _____	Trailer _____

Special Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

General description of unit(We don't have parade announcers) \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

All applicants MUST enclose a check for \$15.00. Animal Units must provide their own cleanup. Acceptance of registrations received after the deadline will be at the discretion of the Parade Director. Not responsible for lost or misdirected mail. Incomplete entries will not be accepted. (All units requiring a fee must be approved/ confirmed by the Parade Director)

Please return completed form and payment by October 20, 2017 to:

Cottage Grove Strawberry Fest, Attn: Monster Bash Parade, PO Box 512, Cottage Grove, MN 55016.