

EIU Homecoming 2019 Competition Divisions

The competitions in 2019 EIU Homecoming Week will be divided into the following university Divisions:

1. **Greek-Lettered Organizations Division** - *This division includes all social-service based Greek-lettered organizations that include but are not limited to the PanHellenic, National Pan-Hellenic and Inter-fraternity Councils and/or independently recognized fraternities and sororities. Two or more Greek-lettered organizations competing in the Greek Division shall compete as ONE entry.*
2. **Residence Hall Division** - *This division includes all of the on-campus residence halls and apartment complexes, which include – Pemberton, TRIAD, LSD, Thomas, Andrews, Lawson and Taylor Halls, and University Court.*
3. **Registered Student Organizations Division (RSO's)** - *This division includes all campus Registered Student Organizations, which are not affiliated with PanHellenic, National Pan-Hellenic or Inter-fraternity Greek-lettered organizations or Residence Halls.*
4. **Student-Athletes/Athletic Teams Division (New)** - *This division includes all EIU Inter-collegiate Student-Athletes/Teams and/or Athletic Club Teams.*
5. **Faculty/Staff Division** - *This division includes all of the EIU Administrators, faculty, staff and EIU Colleges, Offices & Departments.*
6. **Community Division** - *This division includes all community-based businesses, civic groups, schools, organizations and residents in the Charleston or surrounding areas.*

Overall **Homecoming Divisional** Winners for each division will be selected at the conclusion of EIU Homecoming Week. Winners will be determined by the highest overall point totals awarded among the competing RSO's/Greeks//Residence Halls within each division.

First thru Third place awards will be given out to the **Overall Divisional** winners.

An Overall **Homecoming Spirit Cup** will be awarded to the Overall Divisional winner that demonstrates exceptional participation, spirit and sportsmanship throughout their preparation and participation in EIU Homecoming Week and Overall **HIGHEST** Point Total across HC Divisions.

Overall Homecoming Point Totals/Standings will be displayed on-line prior to and throughout the week of EIU Homecoming. Overall Homecoming Point Totals and Standings in the RSO/Greek/Residence Halls/SA/Faculty & Staff /Community Divisions will be available on-line at the 2019 EIU Homecoming Excel Document.

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EIU HOMECOMING WEEK 2019
EIU HOMECOMING STUDENT CODE of CONDUCT

It is the intention of the *2019 EIU Homecoming Steering Committee* to conduct a safe and enjoyable week of EIU Homecoming Week activities for all EIU Homecoming participants, representatives, and spectators. In the spirit of sportsmanship and in order to ensure that all involved are treated with mutual honor, respect, and dignity, I/We (**Print**)

_____ Greek/RSO/Hall have read, understand, and agree to abide by the *EIU Homecoming Student Code of Conduct* as participants, representatives and spectators.

Furthermore I/We understand that, any violation of the code of conduct by participants, representatives or spectators can result in EIU Homecoming fines, disqualification from competition and/or termination from participation in Homecoming Week. I/We have read and agree to be bound by the enforcement of the *2019 EIU Homecoming Student Code of Conduct* as follows:

EIU Homecoming Event Participants, Representatives, Spectators:

1. HC participants, representatives, spectators will be expected to adhere to *EIU Homecoming Rules & Regulations* and the *EIU Student Conduct Code*.
2. HC participants, representatives, spectators will be expected to refrain from profane, offensive, or divisive language or behavior during, prior to, and after HC events and competitions.
3. HC participants, representatives, spectators will not engage in any altercations but will instead report any issues or disturbances to EIU officials – UPD, administration, staff.
4. HC participants, representatives, spectators will be expected to refrain from consuming alcohol or illegal substances before, during or after HC events and competitions.
5. Any HC participants, representatives, spectators who appear to be intoxicated during HC events or competitions will be removed from the event or competition.

_____ **Greek/RSO/Hall Representative**

_____ **Date**

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EIU HOMECOMING WEEK 2019
SPIRIT CUP COMPETITION

HC Spirit Cup Description:

The *HC Spirit Cup Competition* is for all currently active registered student organizations, Greek-lettered organizations and Residence Halls and is designed to promote EIU spirit and pride in friendly competition during EIU Homecoming Week 2019. The HC Spirit Cup Competition will consist of points, prize money and a traveling trophy, to be awarded to HC participants that have accumulated the most HC points throughout EIU Homecoming Week. HC Spirit Points will be awarded based on the *HC Spirit Cup Points/Awards System - Attendance, Participation and Placement*. The HC Overall Winners of the HC Spirit Cup Competition will be announced during half-time of the EIU Homecoming FB Game on **Saturday, October 26th**.

HC Spirit Cup Points & Awards System Description:

All RSO, Greeks, Residence Halls, EIU Depts., EIU Colleges and EIU Faculty/Staff are eligible to compete within the respective Divisions throughout EIU Homecoming Week. There will be **(3) Overall HC Divisional Winners**. The name(s) of the *Divisional HC Spirit Cup Winner(s)* will be engraved on a Traveling HC Spirit Cup. HC Spirit Points/Prizes/Awards are awarded based on the Spirit Cup Point System below:

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HC SPIRIT CUP COMPETITION
RULES/REGULATIONS

The *EIU Homecoming Spirit Cup Competition* is a designed for Registered Student Organizations (RSO’s), Greek-lettered organizations, Residence Halls, EIU Departments, EIU Colleges and Faculty/Staff in friendly competition during EIU Homecoming Week 2019 in a series of HC events, activities, and contests that promote EIU spirit and pride.

DATES/DEADLINE:

1. **Tuesday, Sept. 24th**– HC Panther Pride Sub-committee Meeting.
2. **Thursday, Oct. 24th** – **HC Spirit Cup Judging – Deck the Halls and Spirit Banners**
3. **Friday, Oct. 25th** - **HC Spirit Cup Judging – Sock-tober Drive**
4. **Saturday, Oct. 26th** - **HC Spirit Cup Judging – Parade**

RULES/REGULATIONS: The following rules regulations apply to all HC Spirit Cup competition divisions as follows:

1. **There are (3) – “Primary” Categories of Competition – HC Meetings, HC Events/Activities, and HC Spirit Contests**
2. Purchasing of HC Spirit Banners can be pre-ordered at the request of a Greek/RSO/Hall/Dept./College or EIU Faculty/Staff by the *EIU Homecoming Steering Committee*.
3. Spirit Banners will be a standard white queen-sized sheet measuring **90” x 102”**.
4. All entries must be school-spirited and should be thematic in nature – RSO/Greek/Hall/Dept./College, EIU, Panther Mascot, HC Theme – **“Game On! EIU Homecoming 2019”** and the participants - names/letters/symbols
5. All HC Spirit Banners/Office Decorations sub-slogans/themes/artwork **MUST** be in good taste. **NO** offensive references or depictions in design to race, drugs, alcohol, sex, etc. Failure to do so can result in disqualification from the HC competition and/or loss of points.
6. HC Spirit Banners must be turned in to the Student Activity Center by **12:00 pm, Monday, October 21st, 2019** in order to be **JUDGED** for the HC Spirit Cup competition. **Failure to do so may result in HC point(s) Deduction in TOTAL Points and Scoring.**
7. Judging will be based on – **Creativity, Originality, Theme, Spirit, Overall Appeal.**
8. Points to be awarded - **Participation, Attendance, Placement and “Bonus Points”**

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HC SPIRIT BANNER
RULES/REGULATIONS

DATES/DEADLINE:

1. **Sept. 24th** - HC Panther Pride Sub-committee Meeting
2. **Sept. 30th** – HC Spirit Banner Designs DUE

RULES/REGULATIONS:

1. Purchasing of HC Spirit Banners is “Optional” but can be pre-ordered at the request of a Greek/RSO/Hall/EIU Dept./EIU College by the EIU Homecoming Steering Committee.
2. HC Spirit Banners purchased will need to be a standard white queen-sized sheet measuring **90” x 102”**.
3. HC Spirit Banners can be ordered from the UB Homecoming Steering Committee **and picked-up in the MLK Jr. Union – Student Activity Center, 2nd Floor, Rm. on October 14, 2019 by 4:00 p.m.**
4. All HC Spirit Banners must be school-spirited and should be thematic in nature – RSO/Greek/Hall, EIU, Panther Mascot, HC Theme – ***“Game ON! EIU Homecoming 2019*** and the participants - names/letters/symbols
5. All banner slogans and designs **MUST** be in good taste, **NO** reference or depictions in design to drugs, alcohol, sex, etc. Failure to do so can result in disqualification from the competition and/or loss of HC points.
6. HC Spirit Banners must be checked-in and displayed at the designated campus locations by **Monday, Oct. 21st @ 12:00pm** for HC judging and to receive HC points. **Failure to do so may result in HC point(s) Deduction in TOTAL Points and Scoring.**
7. Judging will be based - **Creativity, Originality, Theme, Spirit, Overall Appeal**
8. Points to be awarded - **Participation, Attendance, Placement and “Bonus Points”**

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HC SPIRIT BANNER– PDF FORM

SPIRIT BANNER DESIGN

Group/Name: _____

Name/Contact: _____ **E-mail:** _____

Division (Circle): Hall RSO Greek **EIU Dept.** **EIU College** Faculty/Staff

Please provide in the space below a lay-out sketch/artwork of the Spirit Banner design. Be sure to include color scheme, theme, group name, words or phrases as required. Keep in mind this activity is to promote EIU Homecoming and school spirit. All HC Spirit Banners MUST include EIU, HC Theme – *“Game On! EIU Homecoming 2019*, Panther Mascot and Greek/RSO/Hall affiliation/name.

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“Game On! EIU Homecoming 2019”
EIU HOMECOMING WEEK 2019
HC DECK THE HALLS COMPETITION
RULES/REGULATIONS

EIU Depts., EIU Colleges and Faculty/Staff are invited to “Deck Out” their main buildings, offices, lobbies, windows, walls, doors, front desks and cafeterias in a friendly competition for the *EIU Homecoming Deck the Halls Competition*.

DATES/DEADLINE:

1. **Tuesday, Sept. 24th**– HC Panther Pride Sub-committee Meeting.
2. **Thursday, Oct. 10th** – Completed HC Deck the Halls Form are DUE
3. **Monday, Oct. 21st** – HC *Deck the Halls* on Display
4. **Tuesday, Oct. 22nd** - HC *Deck the Halls* Judging

RULES/REGULATIONS: The following rules regulations apply to all EIU Depts. and EIU Colleges competing that are as follows:

1. Various areas of décor/decorating include – **main lobby/common area, hallways, windows, walls, doors, front desks, cafeterias and front entrance.**
2. All displays and décor should be school-spirited and thematic in nature. The displays should include – EIU, Panther Mascot, HC Theme – ***“Game ON! EIU Homecoming 2019*** and the names/logos/ etc.
3. Purchasing of HC supplies are the responsibility of all EIU Depts., and EIU Colleges competing.
4. HC Décor and Displays can include – banners, signage, table tents, window painting, streamers, cut-outs, strings of lights, props, etc.
5. Judging will be based - **Creativity, Originality, Theme, Spirit, Overall Appeal.**
6. Points to be awarded - **Participation, Attendance, Placement and “Bonus Points”**

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HC DECK THE HALLS– MACH FORM

HC DECK THE HALLS DESIGN

DEPT./COLLEGE: _____

Hall Contact/Name: _____ **E-mail:** _____

Hall Design Sub-Theme: _____

Please place an “X” next to all the areas to be decorated:

_____ **Main Lobby** _____ **Cafeteria/Foodcourt** _____ **Windows** _____ **Front Desk**

_____ **Bulletin Board** _____ **Main Entrance** _____ **Door Decks** _____ **Hallways**

_____ **EIU Dept. Office(s) OR EIU College**
(Please Specify Name of EIU Office(s) and/or EIU College): _____

Please list decorations/supplies/props- .i.e. paint/paint brushes, signs, markers, streamers, wall decorations, tablecloths, string lights, etc..

Please provide in the space below a brief description of the overall HC decorating ideas, resources and designs to be utilized in your overall HC décor and HC theme. Keep in mind the contest is a display of EIU Homecoming pride and school spirit. All Residence Hall decorations/displays **MUST** include EIU, HC Theme –***“Game On! EIU Homecoming 2019,*** Panther Mascot and Cafeteria/**EIU Dept./EIU College** affiliation/names/symbol.

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“Game On! EIU Homecoming 2019”
EIU HOMECOMING WEEK 2019
HC ELECTIONS/CORONATION
RULES/REGULATIONS

IMPORTANT DATES/DEADLINE:

1. **Sept. 24th** – Completed HC Candidates applications are DUE
2. **Sept. 27th** – HC Candidate “Changes/Replacements” are DUE
3. **Sept. 26th – 27th** – HC Candidate Photos Taken
4. **Oct. 1st** HC Elections/Coronation Meeting – Candidates Only
5. **Sept. 27th** – HC Candidates Campaigning Begins
6. **Oct. 5th** – HC Candidate Interviews – Prince & Princess
7. **Oct. 6th** – HC Candidate Interviews – King & Queen
8. **Oct. 14th – 18th** – HC Candidates On-Line Elections/Voting
9. **Oct. 10th** - HC Candidates Campaigning Ends

Eligibility

1. HC Candidates must have a cumulative GPA of **2.5** and be in good disciplinary standing to be eligible. **If HC Candidates are found ineligible**, candidates have until **Friday, September 27th, 2019 by 4pm** to appeal the decision or submit the application of a replacement candidate.
2. **Categories: Homecoming King, Queen, Prince, and Princess** (male and female).
3. HC Candidates must be a full-time student at EIU at the time of the candidate interviews and election.
4. HC Candidates must be currently in good standing with the university, *Student Conduct Code* and the *Office of Student Accountability & Support* to be eligible to run for EIU Homecoming Royalty
5. Each candidate must attend **ALL** meetings, interviews, and photo sessions. **NO EXCEPTIONS OR MAKE-UPS.**
6. HC King and Queen Candidates must have **Junior** or **Senior** standing-pertaining to cumulative credit hours as stated in the University Catalog; must be currently enrolled in **12** hours at Eastern Illinois University at time of candidacy and election, and **must** have attended Eastern Illinois University for at least **one** full semester.
7. HC Prince and Princess Candidates must have no **LESS** than **30 cumulative credit hours** and no **MORE** than **60 cumulative hours** at the time of his/her candidacy and election; must be currently enrolled in **12** hours at Eastern Illinois at time of candidacy and election, and **must** have attended Eastern Illinois University for at least **one** full semester.
8. Members of the *2019 Homecoming Steering Committee* and those affiliated with it are not eligible to run for HC King, Queen, Prince, or Princess.

Nominations:

1. Categories of HC Candidates include **HC King, Queen, Prince, and Princess.**
2. A Greek/RSO/Hall are eligible to sponsor **one** HC candidate per category – King, Queen, Prince, and Princess.
3. HC Candidates are required to complete a application process
4. HC Candidates are required to attend **(2) Mandatory Candidate Meetings – Tuesday, October 1st - Arcola/Tuscola Rm. at 8:00pm.**
5. Candidates Photos will be taken **Thursday, September 26th from 9:00am to 4:00pm (EXCEPT Noon)** and **Friday, September 27th from 9:00am to 4:00pm (EXCEPT Noon)** in the **Library Quad (Rain Location: Bridge Lounge)**
6. Mandatory Coronation/Pep Rally Walk thrus will be **Thursday, October 24th from 4:00pm-5pm in McAfee Gym - South.**
7. HC Candidates will also be required to complete and submit a **2019 Homecoming Royalty Candidates Form**, which will count for **10%** of the HC Candidate's **TOTAL SCORE.**

Interview:

1. HC Candidates are required to attend **Mandatory HC Prince and Princess Candidate Interviews - Saturday, October 5th, between 10:00am-4:00pm in the Schahrer Rm., 2nd Floor – Mezzanine (above the Box Office) MLK Jr. Union, and HC King and Queen Candidate Interviews - Sunday, October 6th** between 10:00am-4:00pm in the **Schahrer Rm., 2nd Floor – Mezzanine (above the Box Office), MLK Jr. Union.**
2. **NO alternate or make-up dates will be allowed for HC Candidate Interviews. NO special arrangements or exceptions will be made in advance.**
3. HC Candidate Interviews will count for **60%** of the **TOTAL SCORE** for all HC Candidates except EIU Faculty King and Queen Candidates.
4. A selected HC Interview Panel comprised of EIU Faculty & Staff will conduct HC Candidate Interviews.
5. HC Candidates need to sign up for an interview time **after** submitting a HC candidate Form. Sign-up for HC Royalty Candidates Interviews will take place at the HC candidates meetings.

Elections:

1. Homecoming On-line Elections will be held on **Monday, October 14th - Friday, October 18th.**
2. The On-line Voting will be available **beginning at 12:00am Monday, October 14th and ending at 11:59pm Friday, October 18th.**
1. The EIU student body vote will count for **30%** of the **TOTAL SCORE** for all HC candidates except EIU Faculty King and Queen candidates.
3. Currently enrolled EIU students are eligible to vote for **one** HC King, Queen, Prince, and Princess candidate of their choice per category.
4. EIU Student Voters must vote on-line in accordance with voting rules & regulations.
5. The **HC King, Queen, Prince and Princess** candidates receiving the **HIGHEST** number of votes, along with application and interview scores will be crowned the 2019 EIU Homecoming King, Queen, Prince, and Princess.
6. The 2019 EIU Homecoming Faculty King and Queen will be selected by a panel of EIU student judges.

Campaigning:

1. Campaigning for EIU Homecoming Candidates shall run from **September 27th - October 10th, 2019** after which all campaign materials must be removed. i.e. flyers, Facebook, etc.
2. All HC campaign materials must be approved and stamped PRIOR to posting by the EIU Campus Scheduling Office.
3. Residence Hall HC candidates can post campaign materials on their doors and windows, but MUST follow posting regulations established by the *Office of EIU Housing and Dining Services* if they wish to post materials in Residence Halls.
4. Each Homecoming Candidates should follow the guidelines for campaigning and posting of materials as indicated in the **University Posting Guidelines**.
5. Posting is only allowed on University bulletin boards and designated areas; violations could result in disqualification. All campaign materials posted must be taken down on **October 10th, 2019 after 5:00pm** by respective HC candidates.
6. **NO** campaigning will be allowed in academic classrooms, departmental, or administrative offices.
7. Campaigning costs **cannot exceed \$250.00 per HC candidate** (including homemade or professional designed marketing materials, articles of clothing, and donated items).
8. HC Candidates, members, allies, and supporters will refrain from actions and remarks that could be deemed detrimental, defamatory, harassing or embarrassing towards any individual, including but not limited to reference to race, color, creed, Religious background, sexual orientation, or national origin.
9. Destruction of any HC campaign materials shall be a direct violation of HC Coronation/Elections rules and regulations for or by any HC candidate - destroy, defacing, removal of signs or HC campaign literature of any other HC candidate can result in disciplinary action.

On-Line Voting:

1. The *2019 EIU Homecoming Steering Committee* shall be responsible for proper upgrade, maintenance and monitoring of on-line voting EIU Homecoming Candidate Elections
3. On-line voting will be the only available forum for “Official” voting in the 2019 EIU Homecoming Elections
4. The tabulation and certification of votes and results will be supervised by the ITS Dept.. The final 2019 EIU Homecoming Elections official results will be certified and announced by the *2019 Homecoming Steering Committee*.
5. In the case of a TIE the determining factor would be the HC candidate with the “Highest” candidate interview score will be declared the winner. In the unlikely case that, there is still a TIE the 2nd and final tie-breaker will be the HC Candidate with the highest cumulative GPA will be declared the winner.

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EIU HOMECOMING WEEK 2019
EIU FACULTY/STAFF KING & QUEEN
NOMINATIONS

Annually, the EIU community bestows on EIU Faculty/Staff who exhibits and exemplifies EIU pride, service and contributions the honor of serving as the HC Faculty/Staff King and Queen. A EIU currently employed faculty or staff member can be nominated by members of the EIU community and is honored to serve as EIU Homecoming Royalty throughout EIU Homecoming Week.

DATES/DEADLINE:

- 1. Sept. 27th - HC Nominations Forms DUE**
- 2. Oct. 24th – HC Royalty Walk-thrus (Optional)**

RULES/REGULATIONS:

- 1.** Nominators must be current members of the EIU community – administrator, student, faculty, or staff.
- 2.** Nominators must complete and submit a HC Faculty King/Queen Nomination Form by the designated deadline – **September 27th**.
- 3.** The ***2019 EIU Faculty/Staff King & Queen*** will be selected on the basis of classroom or work performance, outside-the-classroom participation, professional contributions/achievements and overall commitment to EIU.
- 4.** Nominees should have a minimum of (1) year of EIU employment and demonstrated university pride, service, contributions and commitment to EIU.
- 5.** *2019 EIU Faculty/Staff King & Queen* Nominee(s) should be a currently full-time employed EIU faculty or staff member.
- 6.** Nominees must be available to serve as *2019 HC Royalty*
- 7.** *The 2019 EIU Faculty/Staff King & Queen nominee* must be willing to participate in HC activities that include – **HC Coronation/Pep Rally Ceremony** on **Thursday, October 24th** and *HC Parade* and *HC Football Game* on – **Saturday, October 26th**

For more information go to the 2019 EIU Homecoming Week website at - www.eiu.edu/homecoming or Call (217) 581-5522.

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EIU HOMECOMING WEEK 2019
HC LIL’ PRINCE/PRINCESS
RULES/REGULATIONS

DATES/DEADLINE:

1. **Sept. 27th** - HC Nomination Forms DUE
2. **Oct. 24th** – Mandatory HC Royalty Walk-thrus

RULES/REGULATIONS:

1. HC Lil’ Prince/Princess contestants must be between the ages of **5 -8** by **October 8, 2019**.
2. **ONE** recent Headshot Photo of contestant must accompany the completed application. This can be any size, but not larger than **8½ x 11**, either color or B/W is acceptable.
3. Nominations, Essay Question and Headshot Photos must be submitted by **Sept. 27th, 2019**.
4. This is a “Fun” contest, **NOT** a Beauty Pageant; contestants will be judged by a panel of HC Steering Committee members on nomination form, Head Shot, appearance and overall display of EIU school spirit.
5. Past winners of the *EIU Homecoming Lil’ Prince & Princess* competition are **NOT** eligible to compete.
6. Contestant must be a child or sibling related to a currently enrolled EIU employee – EIU faculty/staff member.
7. The **2019 EIU Homecoming Lil’ Prince & Princess** crowning will take place at the HC Coronation/Pep Rally Event schedule to take place, **Thursday, October, 24th @ 7:00pm**, McAfee Gym - South.
8. Winners will each receive participation awards/prizes to be presented during the HC Coronation/Pep Rally event.
9. The *2019 EIU Homecoming Lil’ Prince & Princess* Winners will be required to participate in HC Coronation/Pep Rally and HC Parade events.
10. Walk-thrus will be **on Thursday, October 24th at 4:00pm-5pm – McAfee Gym – South**

JUDGING:

HC Lil Prince and Princess Candidates applications will be reviewed by a panel of HC Steering Committee members. All HC Candidates will be notified of the HC Winners prior to HC Week.

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HONORARY PARADE GRAND MARSHALL
NOMINATIONS

Annually, the EIU community bestows on an individual(s) who has exhibited and exemplified EIU pride, service and contributions the honor of serving as the **2019 *Honorary Homecoming Parade Grand Marshall***.

An EIU Homecoming Parade Grand Marshall nominee is nominated and selected by the EIU Alumni Services Office and is honored on HC Parade Day by leading the annual EIU Homecoming Parade.

DATES/DEADLINE:

1. **Sept 30th** - HC Nominations/Nominees submissions

RULES/REGULATIONS:

1. The **2019 *Honorary EIU Homecoming Parade Grand Marshall*** will be selected on the basis of his/her contributions, civic involvement, personal achievements or distinction that he/she has brought to EIU.
2. Nominee must be in good standing in the EIU/Charleston or their respective communities.
3. Nominees should be person(s) who have demonstrated university pride, service, contributions and commitment to EIU.
4. **2019 *EIU Honorary Homecoming Parade Grand Marshall*** Nominee(s) should be a current or former EIU faculty/staff, EIU Alumni/Donor, current or long term resident of Charleston.
5. Nominees must be available to serve as **2019 *Honorary EIU Homecoming Parade Grand Marshall*** including participation in the Homecoming Parade.
6. The **2019 *Honorary EIU Homecoming Parade Grand Marshall*** must be willing to participate in HC festivities that include – HC Parade and HC Football Game on – **Saturday, October 26th**.

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HOMECOMING PARADE
RULES/REGULATIONS

DATES/DEADLINE:

1. **Oct. 4th** – Completed HC Parade Waiver Release/Liability Form (EIU) (Community)
2. **Oct. 8th** – Completed HC Registration Form & HC Parade Conduct Form are DUE – EIU Parade Entries Only
3. **Oct. 8th** – HC Parade Sub-committee Meeting – (EIU Student Parade Entries Only)
4. **Oct. 18th** - Completed HC Registration Form & HC Parade Conduct Form are DUE – Community Parade Entries Only

PARADE ENTRIES:

1. Parade registrations and rules/regulations are available in Mach Form and on-line at <http://www.eiu.edu/homecoming/parade.php>.
2. The deadline for **EIU Entries –October 8th** and **Community Entries – October 11th**. Applications must be received on-line by 4:30pm. Failure to do so can result in participation in the **2019 EIU Homecoming Parade** being denied.

REGISTRATION:

1. HC Parade entries will be accepted online at [-www.eiu.edu/homecoming](http://www.eiu.edu/homecoming). **HC Parade LATE entries accepted after **Friday, Oct. 11th, 2019** will be subject to approval and are not eligible for competition. No exceptions.**
2. Any violations of HC Parade Rules will result in the expulsion of participants and entry from the EIU Homecoming Parade. In addition can result in loss of awards, points if a competing entry and/or future participation.
3. **Parade line-up will be distributed on **Monday, Oct. 14th, 2019 (Tentative).****
4. **HC Parade entries check-in will take place on-site between **7:00am – 9:00am** day of EIU HC Parade – **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26th, 2019****
5. All HC Parade entries **MUST** check-in **NO LATER THAN 30-minutes PRIOR** to the start of the EIU Homecoming Parade. Failure to do so can result in denying entry and participation in the EIU Homecoming Parade Event.

PARADE RULES OVERVIEW:

The following Eastern Illinois University Homecoming Parade Rules & Regulations have been established to assist in providing for a positive and safe EIU Homecoming Parade experience for all HC parade participants, attendees and spectators. All HC parade entries are required to adhere to the following rules/regulations:

HC PARADE GENERAL RULES/REGULATIONS:

1. HC Parade Entries are highly encouraged to reflect the HC theme - **“Game Home! EIU Homecoming 2019”**
2. All EIU Homecoming Parade entries are to be family-friendly and in good taste with participation subject to the approval of the EIU Homecoming Steering Committee.
3. The HC Parade will take place on **Saturday, October 26th at 9:30 am**. All flatbed floats, cars and walking floats, bands, and novelty entries must check-in onsite and be in position by their assigned time. **Late HC Parade entries will be subject to denial or placement at the end of the HC Parade line-up.**
4. **EIU Homecoming Parade line up begins at 7:00am**. All HC Parade entries must be checked-in and in proper line-up, as assigned by the EIU 2019 Homecoming Parade Committee, no later than 9:00am on day of the HC Parade. Late arrival HC Parade Entries not in proper line up may be subject to not participating or assigned line-up at the end of the HC Parade.
5. **Any HC Parade entry promoting the irresponsible use of alcohol, use of profanity, vulgarity, sexually explicit material, or implying discrimination will be removed from participation in the HC Parade and/or HC Parade route. ABSOLUTELY NO DRINKING or ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ALLOWED BY EIU HOMECOMING PARADE ENTRIES.**
6. **All HC Parade motorized/non-motorized entries MUST have their own liability insurance AND Proof of Vehicle Insurance Coverage on file PRIOR to participation in the EIU Homecoming Parade.**
7. **DUE TO SAFETY CONCERNS AND LOCAL CITY ORDINANCE - NO CANDY THROWING WILL BE ALLOWED.** HC Parade Participants/Entrants are encouraged to handout candy or toss at the feet of HC Parade Patrons along parade route, but **NO THROWING.**
8. **All HC Parade motorized/non-motorized entries MUST have a signed and on file 2019 EIU Homecoming Parade Agreement & Acknowledgement PRIOR to participation in the EIU Homecoming Parade.**
9. All HC Parade vehicles must have enough fuel to complete the HC Parade route.

- 10. A HC Parade entry, whether it involves a vehicle or walking/marching participants, must continue moving forward through the HC Parade route at all times, unless others wise directed by CPD/UPD and/or EIU HC Committee representatives.**
- 11. HC Parade Entries must avoid matter which discriminates against, is offensive to or disparages any person or group on the basis of race, gender, national origin, disability, political views, age, religion, sexual orientation or personal characteristics.**
12. Eastern Illinois University, EIU Student Life Office and/or the EIU Homecoming Parade Committee reserves the right to deny entry and participation in the HC Parade if it is deemed that the HC Parade display, entry, or float negatively reflects and/or does not uphold the mission of EIU and the purpose of the EIU Homecoming Parade. i.e. parade entry description, messaging, poor behavior, risk to public safety or welfare.
13. Eastern Illinois University, EIU Student Life Office and/or the EIU Homecoming Parade Committee reserves the right to deny entry and participation in the HC Parade, or remove from the HC Parade, any individual, organization, group, participant(s) engaging in activity, conduct or speech that is deemed detrimental, civil discourse, poses a threat or risk to public safety. i.e. political campaigning
- 14. Eastern Illinois University, The EIU Student Life Office and/or EIU Homecoming Steering Committee reserves the right to make the final decision in the placement and the Line-up order of ALL HC Parade Entries and Participants.**
15. HC Parade entries are encouraged to register early, however doing so does **NOT** guarantee a specific line-up or placement of a entry in the EIU Homecoming Parade.
16. All flatbed floats, walking floats, bands, novelty and decorated cars must submit a general written description of the entry on their application. These entries must be theme-related.
17. The EIU Homecoming Committee reserves the right to deny entry into the EIU Homecoming Parade to any parade entry that may pose a health/safety risk and/or deemed in bad taste, low quality or might be found offensive to the participants and the spectators of the EIU Homecoming Parade event.
18. The EIU Homecoming Parade Committee reserves the right to inspect ALL floats, cars, novelty parade entries on-site due to pose safety/health risks.
19. Profanity or obscenities, both displayed on the HC Parade entry or in music played as a part of the entry, will result in disqualification or denial as determined by Eastern Illinois University.
- 20. Neither the EIU Homecoming Committee nor Eastern Illinois University will be responsible for the conduct of HC parade participants and/or any risk, harm or damage to any parade participants, vehicles and entries.**
21. Floats may **not** be dismantled along the HC Parade route or at the EIU Football stadium. Failure to comply will be subject to disqualification, fines and future participation in the EIU Homecoming Parade event.
22. Each HC Parade entry is responsible for the conduct of its members or participants prior to the start of and along the HC Parade route. If conduct is deemed inappropriate, entries will be asked to leave and escorted from HC Parade route. The entry will be disqualified.

23. **No** HC Parade entry may enter competition in more than one of the following competing HC Parade Divisions:
- **Division A** - Marching/Walking Float
 - **Division B** – Decorated Car/Truck or Truck/Utility Trailer
 - **Division C** - Float/Flatbed
 - **Division D** - Marching Bands
 - **Division E** - Novelty (i.e. dance, drill team, pep squad, etc.)
 - **Other** - (please specify. i.e. bicycles, bus, mobile home, animal, etc.)
24. HC Parade entries and participants will **NOT** be allowed to solicit monetary donations for any philanthropic cause along the HC Parade route. Failure to abide by this can result in removal from HC Parade route and banishment in future HC parades
25. **THERE WILL BE NO P.A. SYSTEMS USED BY PARADE ENTRIES DURING THE HC PARADE.**
26. Any destruction or vandalism of other HC Parade entries will result in automatic disqualification, removal from the HC Parade route and are subject to disciplinary action.
27. Any behavior problems or disorderly conduct by parade participants along the parade route will result in disqualification of parade entry and further disciplinary action.
28. All **EIU Homecoming Parade** entries must have a ***HC Parade Code of Conduct*** form on file with the EIU Homecoming Parade Sub-committee prior to the HC Parade event.
29. Distance between HC Parade entries is to be maintained at minimum of 20- 30 feet. All HC Parade entries are required to close the gap between entries when requested to do so by a EIU/Charleston Police and/or HC Parade official(s). All HC Parade entries must be mindful of the distance between entries in front or behind them, and maintain proper distance and speed accordingly.
30. HC Parade entries will be placed in order of parade line-up at the discretion of the EIU HC Parade Committee and SLO staff to ensure balance and coordination of the HC Parade.
31. **NO** single HC Parade entry can have more than **(2)** motorized items unless authorized and approved by the Student Life Office. i.e., cars, truck, ATV, golf cart, etc. EIU HC Parade Committee staff

HC PARADE SAFETY RULES/REGULATIONS:

1. Due to safety concerns, candy and other trinkets may be “Soft” tossed to HC Parade attendees. Great care **MUST** be taken to prevent harm or injury caused by candy or beads being thrown into the crowd. Along the HC Parade route. **NO THROWING of CANDY.**
2. All HC Parade **MUST** complete a - ***HC Parade Acknowledgement of Risk/Liability Waiver– Vehicle Driver.*** Drivers are responsible for individuals on and around their HC Parade entry.
3. Firearms, pyrotechnics, fire and fireworks are strictly **PROHIBITED** from any part of the
 - a. parade. Violation of this rule will result in immediate disqualification of the entry, and
 - b. notification of EIU/Charleston Police.
4. All vehicles entered in the HC Parade must be safe, clean and respectable. All HC Parade entries not passing final on-site inspection on **Saturday, October 26th** will be subject to disqualification from the HC Parade Line-up.
5. **NO** HC participant should jump on or off a moving vehicle or HC Parade entry or unit at anytime nor should anyone be hanging onto a moving HC Parade entry or unit
6. **ALL** HC Parade participants must conduct themselves in an acceptable, responsible and respectable manner.
7. All decorative materials used in HC Parade floats and decorated vehicles must be fireproof or have been treated with a fireproof retardant and in compliance with City Of Charleston ordinance, parade codes and standards.
8. Fire or Open flames are **PROHIBITED**. HC Parade entries must carry a Fire Extinguisher and located within easy access on a HC Parade float. i.e. ABC (2A20BC) fire extinguisher.
9. The HC Committee reserves the right to inspect HC Parade entries – floats, walking, vehicles, etc. before the HC Parade. If there are no fire extinguishers on board, or the float is made of flammable non-approved materials, or there is some other violation the float will be subject to dis-qualification or until corrective measures have been met.
10. The EIU University **Police**, Charleston Police and Fire Departments may exercise the authority to 'Deny' any entry of the EIU Homecoming Parade that they believe poses an unreasonable risk of injury or danger to the general public. Public safety is ultimately the sole responsibility of the EIU and Charleston Police and Fire Departments, and related public agencies.
11. **NO SMOKING** will be permitted by HC Parade participants on HC Parade Entries. Alcoholic beverages are **EXPRESSLY FORBIDDEN** by HC Parade participants or on any HC Parade Entries - float or vehicle or on the person of any parade participant. HC Entries are subject to removal from HC Parade lineup during the HC Parade if there is obvious disregard for this rule. Formal charges and disciplinary action may be pending.
12. The number of HC Parade participants on a motorized parade entry may not exceed maximum vehicle weight limitations.

FAILURE TO ABIDE BY HC PARADE RULES/REGULATIONS:

Failure to abide by these guidelines can result in:

1. The immediate removal of the HC Parade participants and/or the HC Parade entry from the EIU Homecoming Parade.
2. The disqualification of HC Parade entries, participant's and/or sponsoring organization's eligibility to receive parade points and awards.
3. The issuing of citations to and/or the filing of criminal charges against or the arrest of the responsible HC Parade participant(s) and/or person(s) responsible of parade entry.
4. The disqualification of the HC Parade participant(s) and/or sponsoring organization or groups eligibility to participate in future EIU Homecoming Parades.

HC PARADE DIVISION RULES:

Eastern Illinois University and the EIU Homecoming Committee reserves the right to deny entry into the EIU Homecoming Parade to any parade entry that fails to abide by HC Parade rules, may pose a health/safety risk and/or deemed in bad taste, low quality or might be found offensive to the institution, participants and the viewers of the HC Parade. The following are the Parade Categories of participation

Division A – Marching/Walking Float (Residence Hall, RSO, Greek, Community)

1. Maximum of fifty (50) participants per entry.
2. A complete description of entry must accompany entry form.
3. A walking float is an entry that is either pulled or carried by participants in the group.

Division B – Decorated Car/Truck or Truck/Utility Trailer (Residence Hall, RSO, Greek, Community)

1. A decorated car or truck vehicle is an entry where the car or truck is simply decorated (posters, streamers, etc.) with no construction. i.e. car, golf cart, moped, motorcycle, 3-wheeler, bike, etc.
2. The car or truck must be clean and in good working condition.

Division C – Float/Flatbed (Residence Hall, RSO, Greek, Community)

1. The height of the float/flatbed may not exceed thirteen (13) feet from the ground level.
2. The width of the float/flatbed may not exceed twenty (20) feet.
3. The length of the float/flatbed may not exceed forty (40) feet.
4. All floats/flatbeds containing individuals must be equipped with a kick-out panel that must be at least two (2) feet by three (3) feet.
5. All expenditures associated with float building materials for EIU Homecoming Parade entries must not exceed a **MAXIMUM** amount totaling \$4,000.00. All expenditures are subject to review and verification by EIU Homecoming Parade Committee. Any expenditure exceeding the maximum limit may result in disqualification of a HC Parade entry.
6. Materials may include, but are not limited to pomp's, vinyl, floral sheeting, grass mats, fringe, wood, chicken wire, garland, cloth, Styrofoam, etc..

Division D- Marching Bands

1. All community, grade school, junior high and high school marching bands are eligible to participate
2. All band competition rules/regulations, categories, and criteria will provided upon request

Division E – Novelty Entries (i.e. dance, drill team, pep squad, etc.) - (Community)

1. All community HC Parade entries that are unique and special in nature are eligible to participate. i.e. dance, drill team, pep squad motorcycle entries, clowns/jugglers, tumblers, drill teams, etc.
2. Due to safety regulations ALL parade entries may **NOT** exceed the width of a semi-truck in measurements along public streets. i.e. monster farm tractors, trailers, trucks, Motor Homes, ETC. are **PROHIBITED**.

Division Other- (please specify. i.e. bicycles, bus, mobile home, animal, etc.)

1. Domestic pets on a leash can be part of a HC Parade entry subject to approval, but they may not be an entry themselves. Also, they must be properly restrained.
2. EIU Homecoming Parade entries with live animals are responsible for cleaning up any animal waste. Any waste products from the pets are the responsibility of the handler and must be cleaned-up immediately.
3. Participants riding any type of motorcycle, 4 wheeler or bike are required to wear protective gear and a proper helmet.

HC PARADE JUDGING:

1. Pre-Judging of the HC Parade flatbed floats – EIU Entries (Division C) will be on the evening of **Friday, October 25th for EIU Entries Only.**
2. Judging of Division A, B and D will take place on **Saturday, October 26th** during the HC Parade event.
3. The HC Parade entry in each division with the **MOST** points will be awarded – **1st Place**, second Highest will be awarded **2nd Place** and third Highest will be awarded **3rd Place**. Plaques or trophies will be awarded in each division and the winners announced at the HC Football Game.
4. A **TIE** in any division will result in the HC Judges awarding “Bonus” points in choosing a single winner.
5. If a HC Parade entry does **NOT** complete the HC Parade route, the entry may be subject to a deduction in HC points. Special circumstances beyond the control of the HC Parade entry may be taken into consideration.
6. HC Overall Winners in each category will be announced at beginning of the 3rd Quarter of the EIU Football Game on **Saturday, October 26th.**
7. HC Judges must not have an affiliation with the competing organizations, sponsors or entries. All **HC Judges’** decisions are final, with the exception of the review of any filed HC Grievances alleging any HC Parade violations.

“Game On! EIU Homecoming 2019”
EIU HOMECOMING WEEK 2019
HOMECOMING PARADE

HOMECOMING FORMAL PROTEST

HC Formal Protests concerning the violation of Homecoming rules or improper conduct by an organization, student participants or representatives during 2019 EIU Homecoming Week activities must be submitted by Mach Form.

In case of questions or further clarification contact the Student Life Office, 581-3829 by Monday, October 28th by 4:30p.m.

- I. A formal Protest Form must be submitted in **writing** within 24 hours of alleged violations.
- II. Information of the protest must include:
 - a. the alleged violation
 - b. the alleged violator(s)
 - c. the name of the protestor
 - d. time, place and event at which the violation occurred
 - e. Summary of events and participants involved in the violation
- III. The HC Hearing Committee will hear all protests.
- IV. The HC Hearing Committee will consist of the following:
 - a. Director of Student Life (ex-officio member)
 - b. UB Chair (ex-officio member)
 - c. Homecoming Co- Chairs
 - d. Homecoming Co-Chairs
 - e. Designated Homecoming Sub-committee Co-Chairs
 - f. Designated Sub-committee Grad Advisor(s)
- V. The decision of the HC Hearing Committee can result as follows:
 - a. Organization disqualification
 - b. Deduction of Points
 - c. Case dismissal
 - d. Other actions as deemed appropriate and/or necessary i.e. fines, restitution, suspension, etc.
- VI. Referral for additional disciplinary actions and proceedings is at the discretion of the Student Life Office
- VII. The decision of the HC Hearing Committee is subject to appeal to the office of The Vice President of Student Affairs. All appeals must be submitted in writing within 24 hours of the HC Hearing Committee decision.
- VIII. It is understood that the names of both the violator(s) and the protestor, as well as the nature of the protest, are public information.

For more information go to the 2019 EIU Homecoming Week website at - www.eiu.edu/homecoming or Call (217) 581-5522.