

# CNYC Year of Dragon Parade FAQ

Hello Parade Participant!

Thank you for your application submission for the 2012 Stockton Chinese New Year Celebration for “*Year of the Dragon*”. We are excited for you to join us on the streets of Downtown Stockton on Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2012. At promptly 10:00am, the parade will kick off from Weber and North El Dorado streets. Below are FAQs pertaining to your participation in this event. Please contact us for further inquiries. We look forward to seeing you on February 26<sup>th</sup>!

## **What time do I need to be there?**

- **Arrive no later than 9:00am. Registration closes at 9:15am.** The parade begins promptly at 10:00am. Please enter the Parade Participant Lot.

## **How long is the parade?**

- The parade route is approximately one-mile long and we anticipate it ending completely about 11:30am.

## **What does the route look like?**

- Go to our website at [www.stocktoncnyc.org](http://www.stocktoncnyc.org)

## **Where can my family & friends park?**

- There is FREE event parking. The Civic North Parking Lot (located on Center and Oak streets) will be free, as well as all city streets.

## **Where do I register after I park?**

- Registration is on East Weber and North Madison streets. There will be balloons at the tent. Registration **CLOSES at 9:15am.** Do not be late.

## **Where do I line-up?**

- We will be sending you an email a few days before the event to inform you of which division you are placed in. The line-up is subject to change up to the morning of the event. At the registration table, they will also direct you to your division.

## **What happens if it rains?**

- Rain or shine, the show will go on!

## **How do I decorate my vehicle?**

- We are celebrating the “*Year of the Dragon*”, so anything with dragons on your decorations will be fitting. Colors of red and gold are always encouraged since they represent the Chinese culture. Please have a banner(s) for your vehicle so that the audience and emcees can identify with you or your organization.

## **Do I need to have a convertible as my vehicle?**

- No. You may choose whatever vehicle is comfortable for you. However, if your vehicle is larger than normal (ex. a truck, flatbed), you must let us know immediately so that we may situate you accordingly in the parade line-up.

## **Does the Stockton CNYC committee provide flatbeds?**

- No. Sorry but you must supply your own flatbed and notify us if that is part of your group entry.

**If I have a large group consisting of 2 or more cars, how do we park together?**

- We will be designating specific areas for large groups (such as marching bands). Be sure to notate this on your application! Volunteers will guide you to your designated area. Should you have an equipment truck or trailer, you must notify us immediately so we can accommodate you.

**What is not allowed at the parade?**

- Absolutely **NO** pets (big or small), fireworks, weapons, fire-poppers, alcohol, nudity, profanity, or slander on decorations. Also please **NO informational handouts are to be passed out from your group during the parade.** Papers tend to be left behind as garbage on the streets.

**What if I am being dropped off to join my group?**

- Look for the Registration tent with balloons on North Madison street. You can be dropped off anywhere in that vicinity.

**How do I get there?**

- There are driving directions posted on our website for convenience.  
[www.stocktoncny.org](http://www.stocktoncny.org)

**What happens AFTER the parade?**

- You **MUST** return to the Parade Participant Lot to retrieve your vehicles and park elsewhere. By then, all street parking will be free. Avoid having your car locked up and fined by the city.

Should you have questions, feel free to email us and we will reply to you ASAP. Thanks!