

## Victoria Day Parade Instructions

**PARADE DAY is Victoria Day, MONDAY MAY 22, 2017** – our marshalling area is MAYFAIR PARKING LOT OR ADJACENT STREET AREA.

- **7:00am** – Mr. Davis reports to the Parade Dispatcher to find Spectrum’s marshalling area and parade position.
- **7:15am – OR EARLIER** – Spectrum Marching Band will find Mr. Davis on Douglas Street near Hotel Zed. If you can’t, look for a parade marshal (wearing a ribbon or a fez, or both!) with a clipboard and ask where Spectrum is. Large cardboard signs with letters designating areas will be posted on the lamp standards. **We are in marshalling section B, entry #14 which means we are at the beginning of the parade. Do not be late!**
- **9:00am** – The parade begins with the Military units, followed by all civilian participants.
- Leave all cases, coats, etc. in parents’ cars when dropped off at Mayfair and arrange for them to meet you at the end of the parade. There is NO STORAGE at the parade site.
- **Please don’t play in our marshalling area unless we warm up together; stay as a group, don’t wander, relax, save your energy.**
- Use the washroom before coming to the parade site (portable toilets on site).
- **CENTER MARKERS** – dress by Kristie Gowers (Canada) – Kristie will march on the center line. Colour party not in the center file must dress off of the band and banner.
- Watch the spacing – one VERY LARGE pace between ranks and files for the band – a flag pole length between colour party ranks/banner.
- All marching is open formation except for obstacles en route (i.e. traffic islands, audience “spill-out”)
- At the PETRO CANADA station the yellow line swerves for a turn lane; don’t follow it – go straight for the next section of the centre line.
- Drive through the parade route before Monday (1.8 miles from Mayfair, down Douglas street, to the area right behind the Empress Hotel).
- Check dressing CONSTANTLY – heads up always – trumpets, trombones and flutes straight out when playing (right arm swings when not playing).
- On Roll-Offs – instruments up smartly and with precision after first roll. **SUPER CONCENTRATION and PRECISION MOVEMENTS before Judges’ Stand and T.V. Cameras (both are now at City Hall).**
- **EMERGENCY ROLL-OFF SIGNAL** – 2 short whistles // **MARK TIME** – 5 short whistles // **EMERGENCY STOP** – 1 long whistle.
- If shoes are not super black (all black everywhere) use a boot blackener/shoe polish or dip in a bucket of black paint. **Students who do not wear LONG BLACK SOCKS will have their ankles spray painted black. No joke.**
- Gentlemen, get a haircut please. Ladies, 2 tight French braids, please or... come with combed hair ready for the band moms to braid.
- No gum, sunglasses, jewelry, headbands, earrings, ipods, watches, etc.

**GOOD LUCK! HAVE FUN! WORK HARD!**

**WEEKEND REHEARSAL:** AT TILlicum MALL (Upper parking lot on Save-On/Old Navy side)  
SUNDAY, MAY 21st – 6:00PM – 7:00PM (NO uniforms. Please arrive by 5:45pm.)

**REMINDER:** TAKE EVERYTHING YOU NEED FOR THE PARADE HOME ON THURSDAY AFTERNOON (FRIDAY = PRO-D DAY). THIS INCLUDES: UNIFORM, INSTRUMENT, SHOES, DRUMS, FLAGS, HARNESES, AND BANNER, ETC.