



2027 Zoeller® Pump Company Pegasus® Parade

Theme: SPRINGTIME IN THE BLUEGRASS

The Kentucky Derby Festival invites you to take center stage in a parade full of energy, creativity, and fun for the whole family. Join us as we celebrate the best season in the Bluegrass state – SPRING!

Springtime in the Bluegrass celebrates the beauty, traditions, and excitement of spring in Kentucky! From blooming flowers and sunny skies to rolling green hills and outdoor adventures, the theme brings to life everything that makes springtime in the Bluegrass State special. It's a colorful celebration of nature, new beginnings, Kentucky traditions, and the spirit of the Kentucky Derby Festival, where Spring Starts Here!

Every Pegasus Parade unit is required to incorporate the parade theme into their presentation in two or more of the following ways: Colors - Costumes - Visuals or Props - Performance Elements - Sound or Music

Gardens, Blooms, New Beginnings & Growth

- April Showers Bring May Flowers: Raindrops, rain gear, colorful umbrellas
- Kentucky in Bloom: Spring flowers, dogwoods, tulips, daffodils, flowering trees, gardens
- Bugs & Pollinators: Bumblebees, butterflies, caterpillars, ladybugs, dragonflies, honeybees
- Birds of Spring: Kentucky cardinals, bluebirds, robins, birdsong, birdhouses, nests, eggs
- Farming & Fresh Beginnings: Planting seeds, tractors, farmers markets, Kentucky spring crops
- Watch Spring Come to Life: Blooming flowers, growing plants, sprouting seeds, budding trees, and colorful transformations celebrating new beginnings

All About the Outdoors: Bluegrass Beauty & Kentucky Traditions

- Beautiful Bluegrass: Rolling green hills, Kentucky horse farms, barns, scenic country landscapes
- Kentucky Wildlife: Deer, rabbits, foxes, squirrels, turtles, and other native Kentucky wildlife
- Outdoor Adventures: Camping, hiking, biking, fishing, canoeing, and enjoying the great outdoors
- Picnics: Checkered blankets, picnic baskets, ants, kites
- Sunny Days & Blue Skies: Sunshine, sunglasses, sunbeams, rainbows, colorful spring skies
- Woodland Wonders: Enchanted forests, woodland creatures, mushrooms, fairies, treehouses
- Bluegrass Sounds & Traditions: Banjos, fiddles, bluegrass music, front porch gatherings

Pegasus Parade

The following visuals/ideas are always welcome in the Pegasus Parade!

- Pegasus – the icon of the parade and the Kentucky Derby Festival
- Pink – the color of the parade
- Anything inspired by Derby

Remember the following when creating your plan before submitting your application:

- ✓ Go Big & BOLD! The Pegasus Parade goes down a 6-lane street. Bigger is better for spectators to see!
- ✓ Use Colors, Costumes, Visuals or Props, Performance Elements, and Sound/Music to incorporate the theme.
- ✓ Help create a mile of smiles along Broadway and honor the Spirit of the Pegasus Parade by showing up and showing off for the community.