

## **Picnic Day Parade Information**

**Saturday, April 11, 2013**

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We need parents with large vehicles to take the marching percussion and sousaphones after the concert performance at 9pm.

### **Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**

**7:30am:** We need all participating students and parents to arrive at Lot 41 (on the UCD campus – directions below). You will not be able to park in lot 41, so please park in the West Entry parking structure, located just off the corner of LaRue and Hutchinson, next to the Hutchinson field and the Pavilion. It is a very short walk to lot 41 from this parking structure.

Please wear your blue band polo shirt and either jeans or shorts (if hot). Closed toe shoes are **REQUIRED**, as you can suffer severe injury to your feet marching in improper footwear (e.g. sandals, etc...). You must bring your instrument, sheet music, a lyre to the form area. I highly recommend you bring a water bottle or a hydration pack for marching in the parade. I also recommend you bring doughnuts and munchies, as we must wait around for a while before we are staged and the parade begins.

**Special Note:** It is likely there will be no place to store instrument cases in lot 41. Please plan ahead and do not bring your instrument case to this lot.

**8:30am:** Begin warm-ups. Play through some charts and determine the music order for the parade.

**9:00am:** The parade officials will stage the parade. This means we will be placed in the order of appearance in the event and are expected to stay in spot until the parade begins. We will not be allowed to play during this time.

**9:30am:** The parade begins. As the California Aggie Marching Band is first in the parade, they will perform a 15 to 20 minute show in front of the grandstands. They will also stop four times during the parade to perform a 3-5 minute show for the spectators. This means the parade will move, stop, move, and stop throughout the event. Be patient, observant, and ready to play when the parade stops.

**~11:30am:** The parade will end at 3<sup>rd</sup> and A streets. We cannot stop and must continue on A street into the campus. All band members are expected to proceed directly to lot 41 and meet parents, load instruments, etc... You will be dismissed from this location.

Directions to lot 41: From the corner of Hutchinson and LaRue (Aggie Stadium is located on the SW corner), head east on LaRue into the interior of campus. At the first light is the corner of Dairy and LaRue. Turn left and park in the West Entry parking structure. If you are dropping off large instruments, do not park in the structure but continue east on LaRue. At the first stop sign after the light, you will see the entrance to lot 41. If you are able, turn in and drop off instruments, then head to the West Entry parking structure to park your vehicle.