About Homecoming

Since 1964 homecoming has been an autumn hallmark of ASU Life. Homecoming is a collaboration of the Alumni Association, ASU Athletics, Multicultural & Student Activities Programs, and the students.

Homecoming events are open to all student groups on campus. With that being said, you do not have to be a registered student organization to compete in the annual events.

The 2020 Homecoming Event Packet contains detailed rules and requirements for participating in this year’s homecoming festivities and competitions.

Theme Selection
Spring 2019, the ASU student body participated in the selection of this year’s homecoming theme. After a week of voting preliminary voting and a week of final voting the theme ASU Mardi Gras was selected. To ensure this year’s homecoming is FANTASTIC, student organizations or groups should base their participation theme around ASU Mardi Gras.

Rules Meetings:

Thursday, October 8, 2020 at 10:00 am via Zoom • Meeting ID: 860 5189 0532
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Thursday, October 8, 2020 at 2:00pm via Zoom • Meeting ID: 846 2225 1316
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King & Queen Nominations & Elections

Important Dates:

**King & Queen Nominee Deadline:** Friday, October 9th, 2020

**King & Queen Nominee Introduction:** Wednesday, October 14th, Midnight Madness

**King & Queen Preliminary Voting:** Monday, October 19th – Friday, October 23rd

*Check your ASU email account to access link*

**King and Queen Presentation:** Monday, October 26th

**King & Queen Final Voting:** Monday, October 26th – Thursday, October 29th

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**Announcement at Concert on Saturday 10/31**

NOMINATION RULES & GUIDELINES:

1. Nominees for queen should identify as a female.
2. Nominees for king should identify as a male.
3. Nominees must have a 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher.
4. Nominees must be in good judicial standing with Angelo State University.
5. Student groups/organizations are eligible to nominate one (1) king and one (1) queen candidate.
6. Candidates must be nominated by an organization/student group that is registered for the homecoming events by October 9th at 5 pm. Submissions after the deadline will not be considered.
7. The King and Queen Chair will contact nominees to schedule an appointment for photos. The week of Monday, October 12th - Friday, October 16th.
8. It is the responsibility of each group/organization to make sure that their candidate is eligible under the guidelines established by the ASU Homecoming Committee. To ensure candidate eligibility before deadline, submit applications as soon as possible in order to resubmit a nomination if necessary.
9. Nominees must agree to participate in all Homecoming Activities assigned (including Nominee Presentation Rehearsal, Nominee Presentation and Homecoming Parade.)
   a. Failure to attend 3 out of the 5 events will result in removal from the competition
   b. Excuses must be approved by the homecoming committee
   c. All nominees must sign up for their three (3) mandatory events. Not all nominees can attend the exact same event for credit. (Sign-ups will be at a first come first serve basis)
10. The Homecoming Committee will handle all publicity. No individual campaign posters or signs are permitted.
   d. Social media excluded
   e. One warning will be given
   f. Failure to comply will result in disqualification.
11. Nominees must follow all campaign rules and guidelines.
   g. Failure to comply will result in an automatic elimination.
12. Prior to Preliminary voting Nominees will be presented at Midnight Madness scheduled for October 14th.
13. Formal Nominee Presentation on Monday, October 26th at 7pm in Rassman 105.
14. If a nominee advances to homecoming court, the nominee must be available on Saturday, October 31st for the Homecoming Parade (10:00a.m.) and concert/pep rally.
15. Each nominee should accept the nomination from one organization and **can only represent one organization** at a time.
16. Please have a backup nominee prepared

**If the winners are from two separate organizations, only nominating organizations will receive 10 pts. 10 pts can be awarded to the organization if they nominated the winning king and queen nominees.**
Spirit Board Contest Down the Mall

Sunday, October 25th, 10 a.m., TBD
Teams should turn in their board on Sunday by 5 pm for judging

GENERAL RULES:

● Boards will be provided by the homecoming committee and each organization who wishes to participate will pay a $20 entry fee to cover the cost of the board
● Acrylic and water-based paint only. Some basic paint and supplies will be provided by committee, however participating students groups are expected to supply their own painting supplies.
● Tarps or paint drop cloths MUST be used to protect our facilities.
● Entry fees will be due by Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at 5:00pm.
● Due to COVID-19 regulations, no more than 5 representatives for each organization will be allowed to participate.
● Each organization will be required to stay together at their own pre-determined station for the entirety of the event.
● Masks will be required for the entirety of the event.
● All participants must check-in and receive a wellness screening upon entry for participation.

All Spirit Boards will be displayed along the ASU mall during homecoming week and at LeGrand Stadium during the pep-rally and concert.

All teams should remove their spirit boards from the LeGrand Stadium at the conclusion of the event.

Possible Points for Participating in Spirit Board Decorating Contest

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Dance Marathon--VIRTUAL

Wednesday, October 28th, 5:00p.m., C.J. Davidson Conference Center
VIRTUAL EVENT ONLY with Miracle Children and Homecoming Committee. Join us via Facebook Live to witness our unveiling of our fundraising!

Dance Marathon is a nationwide movement involving college and high school students at more than 300 schools. The event helps raise awareness and funds for Children’s Miracle Network Hospitals. All funds raised will go to our local Children’s Miracle Network.

Registration for the 5th Annual Angelo State Dance Marathon will open on Tuesday, October 6th. At that time groups will receive a detailed email with instructions on how to create a team, register teammates and ideas to raise funds for our local Children’s Miracle Network Hospital.

Please register for Dance Marathon at https://events.dancemarathon.com/event/asudancemarathon.

RULES:
1. All money raised goes to Dance Marathon, benefiting San Angelo’s local CMN Hospital
2. The members on the team must be ASU staff/faculty/students.
3. To be considered a ‘team’ the group must have at least five members.
4. For every ten (10) members that join your fundraising team (up to 50 members), you will receive one point.
5. Each team member must pay a $5 registration fee to join the team.

Possible Points for Participating in Dance Marathon

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Create Team: 5pts
Number of Members: 5 pts (1 pt for every 10 members—up to 50 members)
Dance and Chant Competition

Important Dates:

**Preliminary round:** *Mandatory for all teams*
Wednesday, October 28th, 6p.m., Junell Center

**Final round:**
Friday, October 30th, 8-9 p.m., Junell Center

**STEP CONTEST RULES**
All team members must be current full-time Angelo State University students. The Multicultural & Student Activities Center will verify enrollment.

1. Each group will be allowed a maximum of five (5) minutes for their performance, which will include the introduction and exit. Three (3) points will be deducted from the team’s step contest score card for each minute the organization exceeds the time limit.
   - If the performance is starting on stage (does not include a choreographed entrance), time will start at the first movement.

2. Due to COVID-19 protocols and to ensure social distancing, stage boundaries are not enforced this year. All members participating must remain 6ft apart for the entirety of the performance. Masks will be worn for the entirety of the event.

3. All participants must check-in and receive a wellness screening upon entry for participation.

4. Number of step team members must have a minimum of three (3) members and a maximum of ten (10) members. Teams consisting of ten (10) members may list one (1) alternate and teams with fewer than ten (10) members may fill additional spaces with alternates.

5. Team members will not be allowed to use profanity, obscene gestures including inappropriate dance moves or demeaning lyrics during their performance. Teams should not shed clothing, shoes or any other items during performance. Any team that violates this rule will automatically be disqualified.

6. Teams will not be allowed to use props such as powder, glitter or any sort of material that could make the stage slick to others. Use of these materials will result in disqualification.

7. Entrance and exit onto and off of the stage should be done in a safe manner, this includes during the performance. Tumbling during the performance is acceptable.
   - Failure to follow these guidelines will result in disqualification of the team.

8. Please refrain from appropriating a culture. Cultural appropriation is defined as the act of taking or using things from a culture that is not your own, especially without showing that you understand or respect this culture. Please refrain from using cultural stereotypes that may be offensive to others. No derogatory gestures will be accepted. If you are not sure if it is offensive, ask the Homecoming Committee for advice.

9. If your team is using a CD with music, this must be given to Homecoming Staff in the Multicultural & Student Activities Center by October 23rd at the close of business hours. Please inform the Homecoming Staff if music is NOT being used. Smartphones or other auxiliary devices are acceptable to use for music, however, the music will need to be approved prior to use of any technology outside of a CD submission. Submission of audio files outside of a CD, need to be sent in the form a list containing the artist, and song title. *E-mails of YouTube videos or music links are unacceptable.*

10. A team representative must be assigned to instruct the sound person during the performance.

11. Each judge will use the categories shown below to judge team performance. Judging will be on a five (5) point scale with five (5) being the highest and one (1) the lowest in the specified areas:
   - **Crowd enthusiasm** - crowd reaction to the performance
- **Incorporation of Homecoming Theme and ASU spirit** - the incorporation of ASU, blue/gold spirit, and this year's theme
- **Appearance** - General Appearance of team
- **Creativity** - Performing new and innovative steps and utilizing a creative introduction and exit
- **Clarity** - Words, sayings, and chants are clear and easily understood
- **Execution** - Carries out precise synchronization of steps and choreography
- **Showmanship** - Overall manner of presenting routine to the audience

Maximum amount of points possible per performance is 40 points

**Discretionary Statement**

***Judges have full discretion over point deductions utilizing the above listed criteria.***

***The Homecoming committee has full discretionary authority to decide all disqualifications.***

### Possible Points for Participating in Step Show

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Teams must report between 5:00p.m and 5:30pm for the preliminary round in the Junell Center. Check in for the Final Round is between 7p.m. and 7:30p.m. at the Junell Center. Teams that are not present at check-in time will be disqualified and will forfeit all points for the step contest.
Parade

Check-in: Saturday, October 31st, 8-9:30 am, Foster Field Parking Lot

Route: The ASU Homecoming Parade will begin at 10 a.m. from the Foster Field Parking lot and travel west towards Phil George Drive, passing in front of the Junell Center. Parade will turn right on Phil George towards Dena, then turn left. At the intersection of Dena Dr. and Johnson Ave., the parade will turn to the right and head north, turning right on Vanderventer Ave. and right again on Van Buren St. The parade will make a final right in front of Texan Hall ending at the Junell Center parking lot

Judges: Judges will be located throughout the route.

Judging Criteria:
Most Spirited 5 pts (Exemplifies Pride and Enthusiasm for ASU)
Best use of Theme 5 pts (Best fits the Homecoming 2019 theme: ASU In Space)
Most Creative 5 pts (Creativity, imagination, and movement in an entry)
Symmetry 5 pts (Float is consistent with decorations on both sides)

Rules:
• Masks must be worn at all times by participants and attendees.
• No more than 5 individuals properly spaced 6ft will be allowed on a float.
• No more than 10 participants from each organization will be allowed to walk next to and around the float adhering to the 6ft social distancing guidelines at all times.
• All participants must check-in and receive a wellness screening upon entry for participation.

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Departmental Door Decorating Contest

*This entry is for on campus departments only.*

Important Dates:
Doors need to be completed by October 26th
Judging will occur on October 30th.
Winners will be announced via ASU email and Social Media on Friday, October 30th

**Judging Criteria:**
Best use of theme
Creativity
Incorporation of ASU spirit
Overall Appearance