2026 Fire in the Sky Celebration

INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

Tuesday, June 30th, 2026

7:00 P.M.

The Orrville Firefighters Association would like to extend an invitation to you and your organization to participate in the Orrville Firefighters Association's 2026 Fire in the Sky Celebration.

Orrville's week long Independence Day celebration will begin on **Tuesday, June 30th** with the annual parade and will end on **Saturday, July 4th**, with the fireworks display.

Listed below are the details regarding participation in the 2026 Parade.

- ONLY Pre-Registered Parade Entries will be permitted in the Parade! If you do not pre-register and show up the night of the Parade, you will be turned away. The registration **DEADLINE** for all parade entries is **FRIDAY, JUNE 26th, 2026.**

- You must file an application to participate in the parade. Parade applications can be downloaded at www.orrville.com or www.orrvillefireinthesky.com. Printed parade applications can also be picked up at Orrville City Hall.

  - Completed parade applications can be returned via mail to: Orrville Firefighters Association, P.O. Box 144, Orrville, OH 44667, along with the application fee. If no application fee is required the completed application from can be faxed to 330-682-5023- or - emailed to: rballentine@orrvilleoh.gov

- **Parade Registration Fees**

  - If you are an Event Sponsor, purchased an Event Ad, or are a Non-Profit Organization (501c3, Veterans Group, Church Group, Civic Group, etc.) there is **NO FEE**.

  - If you are a commercial or political entry, there is a registration charge of $40.00 per entry. All registration fees are non-refundable - Please make checks payable to Orrville Firefighters Association.

  - All pre-registered entries will receive confirmation via e-mail acknowledging your application receipt, if an e-mail address is provided.

- The 2026 Parade will go, weather permitting...there will be NO rain date. If severe or dangerous weather is present on the date of the parade, the parade may be canceled. All registration fees are non-refundable.

• Parade line-up will begin at 5:00 P.M. on Mineral Springs Street at the North drive of the O.H.S Football Stadium. All parade entries must enter the parade line-up area from the intersection of North Elm Street and Mineral Springs Street. Ella Street will be closed at High Street, and Mineral Springs Street will be closed at Ella. NO traffic will be permitted beyond these road closures. O.F.F.A members will be present in the area to assist you to your location in the line-up.

- DO NOT place parade entries on the streets in the line-up area prior to 5:00 P.M. unless prior arrangements have been made with the O.F.F.A. Parade Committee. If you arrive prior to 5:00 P.M. and park in the street you will be required to move! Parade entries must be attended at all times after entering the parade line up area.

• Parade participants not arriving with their parade entry can be dropped off at the intersection of Mineral Springs Street and Ella Street in the area of the Orrville Elementary School. To drop participants off arrive via Mineral Springs Street from the East! Drop off participants and immediately exit the area via Ella Street to Congress Street. Congress Street will be Closed to South bound traffic at Hostetler Road. There will be no parking in this area for vehicles not participating in the parade. There will be heavy traffic in this area on Parade Night. Children need to be accompanied by an adult!

• All parade participants must be in position by 6:45 P.M. as the parade will start promptly at 7:00 P.M.!

For up-to-date information regarding the parade, carnival, softball tournament, and fireworks show, check out the Orrville Firefighters Facebook Page!

Without your continued support, the Orrville Firefighters Association would not be able to provide the Orrville Independence Day Parade, Carnival, Softball Tournament, and Fireworks. Please consider mailing a donation to:

The Orrville Firefighters Association
P.O. Box 144
Orrville, Ohio 44667

Interested in participating as an "EVENT SPONSOR" scan the QR code for Sponsorship Information.

Thank You for your Support of this event,

The Orrville Firefighters Association

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ORRVILLE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION
2026 Independence Day Parade

Please complete the entire form and mail to "O.F.F.A, P.O. Box 144 Orrville, Ohio 44667 with applicable $40.00 fee.

ENTRY DEADLINE: All parade entires must be received before 5:00 p.m. on June 26th, 2026.

Name of Group,
Entry or Individual: _____

Address: _____ City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact Person: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

How many vehicles will be in your entry _____ (Please note there is a two (2) vehicle limit per parade entry without prior authorization.)

Type of Unit:

Marching Unit
_____ Band
_____ Twirler
_____ Drill Team
_____ Political
_____ Adult Marching Unit
_____ Junior/Juvenile Marching Unit

Float (any entry pulling a decorated trailer)
_____ Merchant/Commercial Float
_____ Non-Profit Float
_____ Political Float
_____ Other Float

Animal Entry
_____ Horse
_____ Other
_____ Will Provide clean-up of manure
(please note if you are not providing manure clean-up you will be positioned at the end of the parade.)

Driving Unit
_____ Classic Car/Truck
_____ Merchant/Commercial
_____ Non-Profit
_____ Political
_____ Other

• **DO NOT SPRAY WATER FROM YOUR PARADE ENTRY!**

• **DO NOT THROW CANDY OR OTHER ITEMS FROM YOUR PARADE ENTRY!** Candy or other promotional items must be distributed by WALKERS ONLY - as close to the street curb as possible to prevent young children from coming close to the moving vehicles.

All motor vehicles must be in safe operational condition and must be operated in a safe manner at all times. No "Burn-Outs, Wheelies, Stoppies" or other unsafe driving acts are permitted. Failure to follow this rule will result in removal from the parade and appropriate action by law enforcement.

No Unit should fail to keep pace with the unit ahead of them and shall not stop to perform, converse with the spectators, or for any other reason. These cause large gaps in the parade which is the top complaint of viewers. Those who violate this rule may be asked not to return.

These rules are necessary for the safety of spectators, especially the small children along the parade route. Your cooperation is required and appreciated.

WAIVER OF LIABILITY

The entrant(s) hereby agrees and indemnifies to hold harmless, the Orrville Firefighters Association, an Ohio Non-Profit Organization, the Orrville Fire Department, and the City of Orrville for any loss occasioned to others as a result of negligence of a purposeful act by the entrant(s) or any of its members.

Signature of entrant or responsible party

ALL ENTRY FORMS MUST BE SIGNED. Please complete the entire form and mail to "O.F.F.A, P.O. Box 144, Orrville, Ohio 44667 with applicable fee ($40.00.)

Deadline for parade entries is 5:00 p.m., Friday, June 26th, 2026.

RETURN TO:

ORRVILLE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION
P.O. BOX 144

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Learn more about 2026 Fire in the Sky Event Sponsorships Scan QR below:

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