

# Biloxi Children's Mardi Gras Walking Parade

Saturday, February 18, 2017 • 10 a.m.

The City of Biloxi, Biloxi Mardi Gras Museum, and Gulf Coast Carnival Association invite all children ages 12 and under to participate in the Biloxi Children's Mardi Gras Walking Parade on Saturday, February 18, 2017, at 10 a.m. Participants may walk, bike, skate, or be pushed/pulled in strollers and wagons (**No motorized vehicles will be allowed**).

The theme for the parade is *The Luck and Lore of Superstition*. Children and families are encouraged to be creative and dress in costume and decorate bikes, wagon, etc. that reflect the theme. For example, anything pertaining to luck such as four-leaf clovers, wishing upon a star, and wearing blue at a wedding, or things or event associated with lore like black cat crossing someone's path, breaking a mirror, opening an umbrella inside, and the number 13.

**Please note: Due to safety concerns, motorized vehicles will not be allowed to participate in the parade or contest. This includes battery-powered children's cars and motorcycles.**

Applications will be distributed through all Biloxi Schools or can be picked up at the Biloxi Visitors Center, Biloxi Recreation Centers, and Gulf Coast Carnival Office or downloaded from the City of Biloxi website [biloxi.ms.us](http://biloxi.ms.us).

Applications must to be returned to the child's school or the Biloxi Visitors Center, 1050 Beach Boulevard, Biloxi, MS, 39530, by Friday, February 10, 2017. For more information, please call the Biloxi Visitors Center at (228) 374-3105 or [visitor@biloxi.ms.us](mailto:visitor@biloxi.ms.us).

**This is not a school sponsored event.**



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## Biloxi Children's Mardi Gras Parade Application

An application must be filled-out completely for each child. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ School/Group: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Number: \_\_\_\_\_

My Child will (check one):

Walk ☐ Bike ☐ Scooter ☐ Skateboard ☐ Wagon ☐ Float ☐ Other ☐ : \_\_\_\_\_

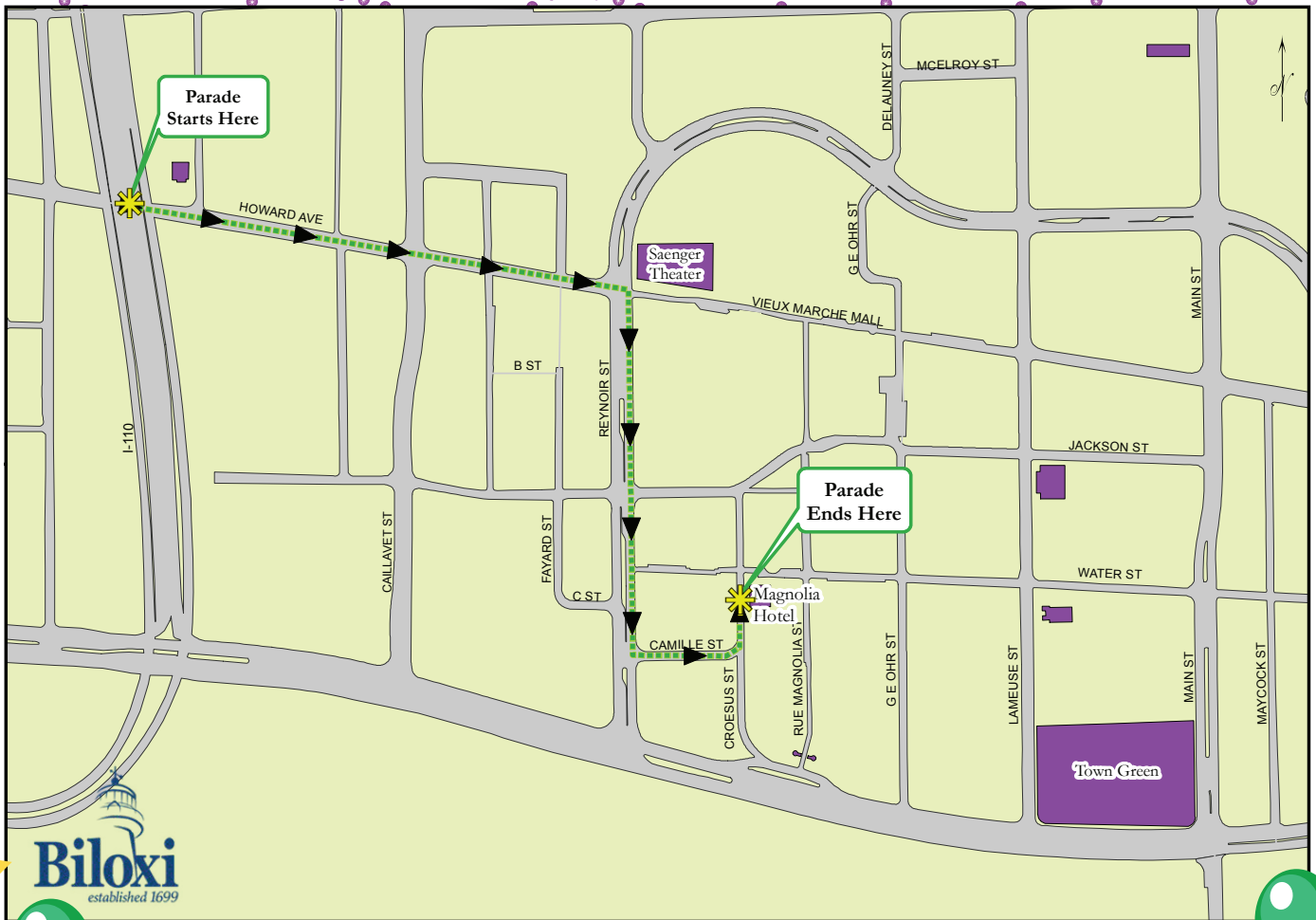
(No Motorized Vehicles Allowed)

### Parental Consent:

My child \_\_\_\_\_ has my permission to participate in the Biloxi Children's Mardi Gras Walking Parade on Saturday, February 18, 2017. I understand that all children must be checked in at the parade forming area by an adult and picked up by that same adult immediately after the parade and children under the age of 9 years old must have an adult walking with them. I recognize that there are certain risks to participating in the parade and that the parade sponsors are only for reasonable supervision. I understand that the parade sponsors do not assume liability extending beyond that point.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_



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Parade will begin at 10 a.m. under the I-110 overpass on Howard Avenue. It will continue east on Howard, to Reynoir Street and turn south ending at the Mardi Gras Museum, where there will be a celebration including an opportunity to meet and have pictures taken with the 2016 Gulf Coast Carnival Association King and Queen, a costume and float contest, refreshments, and Mardi Gras art activities. Sign-in and late registration will be at parade start from 9-9:45 a.m. A bag of throws will be available for the children. Children are encouraged to bring additional throws. Parents and guardians are welcomed to walk with their children. Children 9 years of age and younger are required to have a parent/guardian walk with them.

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