

## Holiday Hayrides 2023

July 2023

Dear Mayor Stewart and University Park City Council Members:

The University Park Pre-School Associations – Armstrong Bradfield Preschool Association (ABPA), Hyer Preschool Association (HPA), University Park Preschool Association (UPA) and Boone Preschool Association (BPA) respectfully request permission to hold five Holiday Hayrides as a fundraiser for our elementary schools within Highland Park Independent School District (HPISD).

The hayrides will take place Monday, December 4 – Thursday, December 7 and on Monday, December 11, each from 5:30 - 7:00 pm

Complete Landscaping generously donates the use and professional drivers of 4 flatbed trailers and one party bus. The flatbeds provide a safe and easy way for approximately 120 people to see the holiday lights in University Park each evening. The event has taken place for the past several years and is something our members and their families look forward to. Each family's contribution raises up to \$5,000 for every preschool association.

There are two organizers of each event from the preschool association who serve as volunteers. In addition, each flatbed truck has two volunteers from Complete Landscaping. However, it is the responsibility of the parents to provide additional support to watch their children prior and during the hayride. Prior to the hayride, families spend approximately an hour at Goar Park enjoying cookies and hot chocolate next to the pavilion.

Please see the attached route for our 2023 Holiday Hayride. We are submitting it for approval to ensure it meets the council's approval and does not include any streets within the town of Highland Park. This is the same route that was proposed and approved by the City in 2015, 2016, 2017, 2019, 2021 and 2022

As important as a fundraiser this event has annually proved to be, the ABPA, HPA, BPA and UPA asks for City approval to host this annual event to continue a tradition which our families enjoy and HPISD elementary schools rely upon.

Requested dates of each organization:

Armstrong Bradfield Preschool Association (ABPA) - Monday, December 4, 2023

University Park Preschool Association (UPPA) - Tuesday, December 5, 2023

ABPA - Wednesday, December 6, 2023

Hyer Preschool Association (HPA) – Thursday, December 7, 2023

Boone Preschool Association (BPA) Monday, December 1, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

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