



2010 DC Parade Information Sheet Sunday March 14, 2010

*We will announce our position in the parade via the website and the Yahoo Group as soon as we know it.
www.culkinschool.com*

TRANSPORTATION: We strongly recommend that you take Metro to the parade. The stop closest to where we will line up is the SMITHSONIAN MALL EXIT. Get off there, and walk onto the mall and look for the **black and white balloons along Jefferson Drive**. On the way home you will be closer to the Federal Triangle or Farragut West stops. A metro map can be found in your phone book yellow pages if you want to plot your course in advance. **If you are planning to drive, please be downtown before 11:00 as they will block off the streets for the parade at 11:00.**

LINE UP: The parade is organized into divisions, A-B-C-D, each of which has a spot for lining up on the mall along Jefferson Drive. Visit www.dcstpatsparade.com for more information about the line up process. We don't know our placement yet, but look for the black and white balloons to gather for line-up. Sean's cell is 301-346-1907, and Denise's is 240-731-3470. Call us if you can't find us!

Please be there at 11:00am. We will organize our dancers in lines, from smallest to tallest. **If you get there after the lines have been formed, you will be placed at the back of the group, regardless of your height.**

DROP OFF/PICK UP: Parents are asked to have the kids at the drop off point at 11:00, and then to pick them up at the end of the parade at 17th and Constitution (see photo-op below). Due to the large number of dancers in our group, only the volunteer line monitors will march with us on the parade route. Parents are welcome to stay with the dancers until we are ready to march, and then meet us at the end. GRANDSTAND SEATING is available, visit www.dcstpatsparade.com for more information.

VOLUNTEERS: Check out the volunteer sign-up forms in class if you can help out during the parade. Remember that volunteers need to wear the Parade Uniform also

PHOTO-OP: As we finish the parade, we will assemble our dancers behind our school banner in the open area just beyond 17th and Constitution. (Or wherever we can depending on the security barriers that day!) Bring your panoramic camera!

PARADE UNIFORM: Dancers and Volunteers are asked to wear:

- ✓ black pants,
- ✓ white turtlenecks,
- ✓ Culkin crew neck sweatshirts (order forms available at class)
- ✓ white sneakers.

If it is **COLD**, please dress warmly UNDER the sweatshirt. Wear hats and mittens (black and/or white if you can). Likewise if it is unseasonably **HOT** that day, feel free to skip the turtleneck and just wear the sweatshirt over a t-shirt. Do not wear your Culkin School dress or skirts for the parade.

SIGN UP: If your dancer is planning to march in this parade with us, please sign them up on the list found in the classroom. By signing them up, and bringing them to the parade site in parade uniform, you agree that they will be dropped off and picked up by a responsible party.

AFTER THE PARADE: It has become an unofficial tradition for Culkin School Families to gather at the Four Fields Pub after the parade (formerly the Four Provinces). To reserve a table, call 202-244-0860.

See reverse for Gaithersburg Parade info!