

**“Crossroads of the Nation”  
EARLY F.O.C.U.S GROUP  
EARLY, IOWA 50535**

We would like to invite you to the Early Crossroads Day Big Float Parade, scheduled for Saturday, July 18th, 2026. The parade will begin at 10:00 a.m. SHARP. This year we are celebrating Early’s 144<sup>th</sup> year.

Simply fill out the enclosed form and return it to the address on the entry form as soon as possible or by June 30<sup>th</sup>. You can still register the morning of the event.

We will start by meeting at the Ridge View Middle School Parking Lot. You may enter at the East side of the building, or follow the posted signs from Highway 71. Upon arrival, look for the registration table where you will be given your number and directed to your lineup location. If you pre-registered, you still **MUST** stop at the registration table. Lineup will start at 8:30 a.m. All entries should be here no later than 9:15 a.m.

The parade route will begin at the Middle School parking lot, travelling South on Linden Lane, turning left on Second Street, turn North (Left) on Walnut, and turn West on Fourth Street returning back to the Middle School, for a total of approximately ten blocks.

The Crossroads Day Parade draws several spectators from a wide area. This is a terrific opportunity to show your community spirit and involvement in this one-of-a-kind event.

To register online, please use the email address [crcudaback@gmail.com](mailto:crcudaback@gmail.com) and submit the necessary information.

We look forward to working with you as the 2026 Early Crossroads Day Parade comes together. If you have any questions or special needs for the parade, please include them on your registration form or feel free to contact me.

We look forward to seeing you Saturday, July 18th.

Sincerely,

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Early Crossroads Day  
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*All entries are welcome. If you know someone who would like to be included in our parade, please have them contact me, or show up the day of the event. Thank you!*

*Parade Route*

