

Lyon College Raft Race and Parade Rules 2019 **Sponsored by YearOne and Spragins House**

Pick up raft supplies on Saturday, August 17th at 1:00 pm in Scottish
Heritage Building/The Temp

Please send 3-4 students and student mentor to pick up materials.

BUILDING THE CRAFT

1. Each **Year One** group must build a raft. The raft should be capable of withstanding at least two runs across Bryan lake AND hold the two people who will be paddling the raft across the lake.
2. The raft must be captained by two students from the YearOne (Y1) group... one male and one female.
3. The only building materials allowed are **cardboard and tape** (provided).
4. Student mentors cannot participate in the hands-on construction of the raft, but are allowed and encouraged to serve as organizers to ensure timely raft completion.
5. Any other materials are strictly forbidden with the exception of *purely decorative* painted elements (painting is optional and Lyon will not supply paint).
6. In addition to racing the rafts there will also be a Visual Design competition based on the looks and aesthetics of the raft. The best visual design will be judged by a panel of expert jurors (PRIZE!!!).
7. You will most likely only get your raft started on Saturday. Perhaps make a schedule to ensure that the raft will be completed by Monday afternoon.
8. In addition to creating the raft:
 - a. Use the \$15 gift card provided by Spragins House to make a banner that will precede your raft in the parade as they are piped in to Bryan Lake. It should include the name of your Y1 group and some depiction of the spirit animal for your group. There are no restrictions on materials for this project, but it should be large enough read easily from a distance.
 - b. Create a motto or slogan for your Y1 group. You will read this slogan into the megaphone as your raft enters the water for the first time. (Make sure it is something that you can yell or print without violating the Social Code, please.)

Split these tasks up so everyone in your group has something to do!

PILOTING THE RAFT (Monday, August 19th @ 6p.m.)

1. Members of each Y1 group (the captains of the vessel, the banner bearers, and anyone else who is needed to help carry the craft) should have their crafts on the Grassy Knoll by 5:45 p.m. The rest of the group should line the parade route and surround Bryan lake to cheer their team on!
2. Each student in the raft must have one paddle (provided by Lyon). Both captains must wear a personal flotation device or life jacket while on the water (provided by Lyon).
3. Hand paddling is allowed; however, **each crew member must be entirely INSIDE the raft while it is moving across the water and kicking to propel is not allowed.** Groups that push, drag, or intentionally use their raft as a kickboard could be disqualified! This is up to the discretion of race official.
4. The winner of each heat and the finals is determined by the first crew to have both captains, their boat, life jackets, and paddles out of the water on the far side of Bryan lake.
5. The winning mentor groups will receive a prize to be used towards a party. (\$100 for raft race winner for pizza party/ \$60 for best design to be used to a movie night).

Rafts will be pledged according to the Lyon College Honor Code. Each student and mentor will sign the craft, indicating that they have followed the rules outlined above.