

# Zion Chapel Homecoming 2023-2024

## Grades 7 - 12

### September 11-15, 2023

### “Let’s Get Ready to Rumble”

Homecoming week will begin Monday, September 11th and continue through Friday, September 15th.

This year’s theme is “Let’s Get Ready to Rumble.” We encourage faculty and students to be creative and participate in the week’s activities. It is a wonderful opportunity to foster unity and school spirit.

We will be having a number of events, dress up days, and competitions to enjoy throughout the week.

#### Homecoming Bonfire - Thursday, September 14th

A community bonfire will be held on Thursday, September 14 at 7 p.m. at the practice field near the Youth Sports complex.

#### Homecoming Friday, September 15th

- **PARADE**
  - o Parade line-up will begin at 11:30 a.m. and the parade will begin at 12:30 p.m.
  - o Parade entry forms / roster should be turned in to the front office by Thursday, September 7th at 3:00 p.m.
  - o NO candy, toys, or other items should be thrown from parade entries.
  - o At this time, plans are for the parade route to begin in the elementary parking / baseball field area, continue behind the elementary buildings and band room, between the old gymnasium and library, follow along the side of the AgriScience building, and end near the Youth Sports field. This may change as deemed necessary. Due to the parade set-up, the elementary parking lot will only be accessible for parade entries.
  - o Students are not allowed to drive vehicles during the parade.
  - o No bicycles.
  - o Students cannot be on a float if they have checked out of school.
- **HOMECOMING COURT PRESENTATION / PEP RALLY**
  - o The Homecoming Court presentation / Homecoming Pep Rally will take place in the new gym immediately after the parade.
  - o Elementary will follow normal dismissal routines and high school students will return to class.
  - o Elementary students who sign out after the pep rally must sign out in the student’s classroom. High school students must check out through the high school office.
- **HOMECOMING COURT CORONATION**
  - o Coronation of the Homecoming Queen and Court will be held during the pregame ceremony at 6:30 p.m.

- FOOTBALL GAME
  - o Kick-off for the Homecoming football game versus the *Samson Tigers* will be at 7:00 p.m. in Green Memorial Stadium.
  - o Homecoming Spirit Competition winners will be announced.
  - o Alumni will be recognized during the game with special recognition given to the Class of 2014, Class of 2004, and Class of 1994.

### Homecoming Dance

A Homecoming Dance, sponsored by the Zion Chapel Athletic Club, will be held in the old gymnasium on Saturday, September 16 from 7:00 - 10:00 p.m. Students in grades 9 - 12 are invited to attend. Cost is \$15 per student or \$25 per couple. Attire is semi-formal and must meet prom dress code (length of garment must be no shorter than mid-thigh, dress backs must not be lower than the waist, no midriff, modest coverage in other areas).



### Homecoming Spirit Competition

The Homecoming Spirit Competition will consist of three divisions: lower elementary (preK - 2), upper elementary (3-6), and high school (7-12). All competitions will be between grade levels and not individual classes. Winners will be announced at the homecoming game and will receive a party sponsored by the Student Government Association.

Points for the Homecoming Spirit Competition (grades 7-12) can be earned in several categories:

1. Dress-Up Days
  - Teachers will enter the number of students per grade level who participate in the designated dress-up day on an online form each morning during first period / REACH. The grade level with the largest percentage of participants will receive the largest number of points and the grade level with the lowest percentage of participants will receive the fewest points (high school grade levels can earn up to 6 points per day).
  - Dress code MUST be followed! Hats are allowed if part of the costume, but should be removed during class if requested by the teacher.
    - o Monday, Sept. 11: Bikers vs. Surfers
    - o Tuesday, Sept. 12: Heroes vs. Villains
    - o Wednesday, Sept. 13: CMT vs. MTV
    - o Thursday, Sept. 14: Mathletes vs. Athletes
    - o Friday, Sept. 15: Rebels vs. Tigers

## 2. Homecoming Banners

- Homecoming banners will be created by each grade level (grades 7-12).
- Banners should be created using white bulletin board paper, with the length between 3 and 5 feet.
- The banners will be displayed on the fence during the homecoming football game.
- If grade levels want to display their banner during the homecoming parade, a parade entry form will need to be completed and turned in to the front office.
- Entries will be judged on the following criteria: Fits the Homecoming Theme, Visually Appealing, Creativity, Promotes School Spirit, On Time, Meets Dimension Criteria.
- The grade level should be visible on each entry.
- Banners are due in the auditorium by noon on Thursday, September 14.
- Each grade level is responsible for their own supplies / decorations. Bulletin board paper will be provided by the school. Please do not request supplies from the art department.
- The High School winner will earn 6 points, second place 5 points, etc.
- High School grade levels will form a “banner committee” to create the grade level banner. Interested students should notify their REACH teacher. Grade level REACH teachers should coordinate to develop a schedule for the banner committee to meet for the gathering of ideas and to banner completion. Students may meet during REACH, break, after school, etc at the discretion of the teacher sponsors.
  - 7<sup>th</sup> grade – McCollough, Davis, Allan Foster
  - 8<sup>th</sup> grade – Boutwell, Donaldson, Adkison
  - 9<sup>th</sup> grade – Stewart, Murphy, Coxwell
  - 10<sup>th</sup> grade – Jackson, O’Neal, Adcock
  - 11<sup>th</sup> grade – Phillips, Adam Foster, Braisted
  - 12<sup>th</sup> grade – Price, Davidson, Mobley

## 3. Parade Entry

- Grade levels can earn 10 bonus points by having a float entry.
- To qualify for the bonus points, a parade entry form must be completed and turned in to the front office by the deadline. To earn points, the entry must be classified as a float or moving vehicle and cannot consist only of walking participants.
- Float construction must take place off campus.

## 4. Spirit Link Competition

- Students will purchase spirit links for 50 cents each, write their names and grade levels on them, and add them to the chain in their first period / REACH teacher’s classroom.
- Chain links will be provided in the teacher’s blue bags each day. Money collected should be placed in the blue bag.
- The REACH teacher will document the number of links sold per grade level on the Homecoming online form each day. Links will be sold Monday - Thursday of Homecoming week.

- Chains should be brought to the pep rally where one link will be randomly selected from each category chain. The owner of the link will win a restaurant gift card.
- Grade levels will earn points for the number of links sold in each category: High School winner will earn 6 points, second place 5 points, etc.

#### 5. Song of the Day

- Each morning following announcements, a “mystery song” will be played over channel 1 of the radio and over the intercom. Teachers will call into the office (using their cell phones) with the correct answer. Two bonus points will be awarded for the correct “caller / grade level” each day.

#### 6. Alma Mater

- High School:
  - Grade levels can earn 5 bonus points by submitting a video of a member or members of the class singing the Alma Mater. The video should be emailed to [davisa@coffeecounty.k12.al.us](mailto:davisa@coffeecounty.k12.al.us) no later than Wednesday, September 13th at 3:00 p.m.
  - On Wednesday, September 13th, two students from each grade level will be selected using a random generator computer program. If one of the two students can sing the Alma Mater, the grade level will be awarded an additional 5 bonus points.
- Recordings may be featured on the Rebel News program.
- A recording of the Alma Mater will be placed on Google Classroom to assist with learning the lyrics and melody. The lyrics are:

Alma Mater, Fairest Mother  
 Zion Chapel, dear old school,  
 Here we learn life's grandest lessons  
 Love of God and Golden Rule.  
 Love of country, love of learning  
 Love of truth and liberty,  
 Here we sing our heart's devotion:  
 Alma Mater, Hail to thee!