



2025 WSU HOMECOMING COMPETITION PACKET

Schedule of Events and Deadlines

Monday, October 13

Noon – Royalty Nomination Due, Self-nominations due

Monday, October 20

Noon – Team Sign-Up Closes

12:00pm to 7:00pm – Display Decorating

3:00pm to 6:00pm – Outdoor Rec Challenges

Tuesday, October 21

Noon – Lip Sync Music Due

4:00pm to 7:00pm – Homemade Boat Races

Midnight – Parade Sign Up Closes

Wednesday, October 22

7:00pm – Lip Sync & Royalty Coronation

Thursday, October 23

7:00pm – Magician Justin Willman

Friday, October 24

12:00pm to 3:00pm – 3-Point Competition

9:00pm to Midnight – Kryzsko After Dark

Saturday, October 25

10:00am – Parade

11:00am to 2:00pm – Game Day Experience

2:00pm – Football Game

Team Based Competition Events

- Teams are comprised of 7 to 30 WSU Students
- Prizes are awarded to the top three-point scoring teams. Prize amounts will be distributed as gift cards and are split between the members of the team or placed in an organization's on campus account (must be a 334 account).
 - First Place: \$750
 - Second Place: \$500
 - Third Place: \$250
- This is a fun opportunity to show your WSU spirit, teams are expected to keep their interactions kind and respectful
- While engaging in events, teams are expected to follow all WSU policies and the student code of conduct.

Point Matrix

Event	Date	Time	Location	Points
High Ropes Crate Stacking	October 20, 2025	3pm to 6pm	Wabasha Recreation Center	First Place: 100 Second Place: 75 Third Place: 50
Indoor Sugar Loaf Climb	October 20, 2025	3pm to 8pm	Wabasha Recreation Center	All teams who finish receive 100 points.
Homemade Boat Races	October 21, 2025	6pm to 8pm	Memorial Pool	First Place: 400 Second Place: 250 Third Place: 100
Homemade Boat Design	October 21, 2025	6pm to 8pm	Memorial Pool	First Place: 100 Second Place: 75 Third Place: 50
Lip Sync	October 22, 2025	7pm to 9pm	Kryzsko Ballroom	First Place: 600 Second Place: 400 Third Place: 250 Participation (for non-placing teams) - 100
3-Point Competition	October 24, 2025	12pm to 3pm	IWC Basketball Courts	First Place: 100 Second Place: 75 Third Place: 50
Trivia	October 24, 2025	9pm to 12am	Kryzsko After Dark, Student Activity Center	First Place: 100 Second Place: 75 Third Place: 50
Family Feud	October 24, 2025	9:30pm to 10:30pm	Kryzsko After Dark	First Place: 100 Second Place: 75 Third Place: 50
Spoons	October 24, 2025	10:45pm to 12am	Kryzsko After Dark, Zanes Stage	First Place: 100 Second Place: 75 Third Place: 50
Rock Paper Scissors	October 24, 2025	9:00pm to 11:45pm	Kryzsko After Dark	First Place: 150 Second Place: 100 Third Place: 75
Where's Wazoo	All Week	All Day	Across Campus	First Place: 100 Second Place: 75 Third Place: 50
Display Submission				Spirit Points: 250
Royalty Application				Spirit Points: 50
Parade Entry				Spirit Points: 250

2500 Total Points

Where's Wazoo (Max 100 Points)

- Each day of homecoming week there will be hidden items around campus.
- Everyone is encouraged to search around campus to find these items.
- When an item is located, you need to bring it to the Warrior Entertainment Network office (Kryzsko 132) to redeem your prize and earn team points.
- There is no limit for how many items an individual is allowed to find.
- Each item has a designated prize associated with it, no swapping of prizes will be allowed.

Outdoor Rec Challenges (Max 200 Points)

High Ropes Crate Stacking

- Each team will send one representative to stack as many crates as they can.
- The participant will be attached to a safety harness in the high ropes course.
- Participants must keep one foot on the crates at all times while attempting to continue stacking the crates higher
- If your stack falls, your number of crates is locked in.
- The team that stacks the most crates wins points (100 points for first place, 75 points for second place, and 50 points for third place).

Indoor Sugar Loaf Climb

- Teams can send as many representatives as they would like.
- Members will individually climb in the indoor climbing wall at the Wabasha Recreation Center.
- The team must collectively climb to the same height that would equal climbing Sugar Loaf.
- All of the team members' individual climb heights will be added together.
- All teams that complete this challenge will receive 100 points.

Homemade Boat Races (Max 500 Points)

- Teams will construct a "boat" from cardboard and duct tape.
- Each team will designate a rower and that rower will row their boat the length of the Memorial pool and back.
- The fastest team to get their boat around the pool wins.
- Boats will also be judged on the design. The top three spirited and stylistically interesting boats will also earn points.

Lip Sync (Max 600 Points)

- All routines must be performed on the stage in the Kryzsko Ballroom
- By Tuesday, October 21 by noon, you must submit a copy of your music to homecoming@winona.edu.
- Each routine must be between four (4) minutes and six (6) minutes long.
- No obscene actions are permitted.
- No alcohol, drug, or sexual connotations are allowed.
- At all times, someone from your team must be lip syncing to the music or points will be deducted.
- Minimum of 5 members should be on stage at all times.
- All items must be removed from the performance area following the performance. Items left on the stage will result in a point reduction.
- All members must sign a waiver in order to participate.
- Teams will not be able to practice in the Kryzsko Ballroom before the event.
- Captains must come to the Kryzsko Ballroom on Wednesday, October 22 at 5:30pm for orientation.
- Failure to follow these rules will lead to disqualification.
- The contest will be judged on:
 - Entertainment Value: 20%
 - Originality: 20%
 - Choreography: 20%
 - Teamwork: 10%
 - Lip syncing: 20%
 - Knowledge of song lyrics: 10%

3-Point Shooting Competition (Max 100 Points)

- 3 people per team can participate
- Each player will get 5 minutes to shoot, and the time will run continuously.
- Each player will get 2 minutes total to warm-up before they shoot.
- The time will start after you release the first basketball .
- If your foot crosses the 3-point line, the shot is invalid.
- There will be 5 stations around the 3-point arch and each station will have 3 basketballs. You can only shoot each basketball one time.
- You can move between the stations however you would like.
- Your score will be combined with the other participants from your team for a total team score.
- Each basket made is worth one point.
- If there is a tie between teams, the team with the fastest total time will place higher than the other participating teams.

Kryzsko After Dark Events

Rock, Paper, Scissors Tournament (Max 150 Points)

- Every team will be given 10 beaded necklaces, to be picked up at the Warrior Entertainment Network Office prior to the start of the event .
- During the event, you will wear the beaded necklace around your neck.
- You can go up and challenge other people who also have beaded necklaces to rock, paper, scissors.
- Rock beats scissors, paper beats rock, and scissors beats paper.
- If you are challenged by another team, you **must** compete.
- It is your team against other teams, not individuals against each other.
- The goal is to collect the most necklaces as a team by winning rock, paper, scissors against the other teams.
- All the beaded necklaces need to be returned to the Warrior Entertainment Network office by 11:45pm and we will count your points earned.

Trivia (Max 100 Points)

- Trivia will be a team competition with multiple rounds.
- There will be rounds of 10 questions each with different themes (geography, pop culture, etc.)
- Every round the host will read the questions out loud.
- After reading the questions, the host will give each team time to talk about their answers to the questions.
- After the deliberation period, the host will read out the answers and determine which team has the most answers correct.
- Each team will need to report their score for the round to the host.
- Team scores for their 5 best rounds will be used to determine the winner.

Family Feud - 9pm-10:30pm (Max 100 Points)

- We will play bracket style.
- We will allow up to 5 representatives from each team to compete.
- The host will ask your team a question
- Your team will go up against another team
- Each player sent up will have a buzzer
- Each correct answer will be worth a different number of points, based on how popular the question is
- **How the Rounds Will Work:** Round 1:
 - Each team will send up 1 representative for the first face off, whoever hits the buzzer first will get to answer first, opposing player will also get a chance to answer.
 - Whoever says the more popular answer wins the round.
 - Whoever wins the first round gains an advantage for their team.
- Round 2:
 - The host will come to each player of the team in control to ask for their answer.
 - This team will get 3 incorrect answers before the round is turned over to the other team.

- After 3 incorrect answers, the opposing team will get the chance to guess the answer to the remaining questions.
- After 3 incorrect guesses, the other team is done.
- When both teams have lost their turns, the round is over and the team who earned the most points will move up in the bracket.
- The team who earned less points will be eliminated.
- Teams should stick around and the host will tell them when they are up next.

Spoons - 10:45pm-12am (Max 100 Points)

- Each team may send up to 3 representatives to participate.
- Each table gets a set of cards.
- The objective of the game is to get 4 of a kind.
- The dealer shuffles the cards and deals each player 4 cards.
- The dealer will set the rest of the cards in a stack in front of them.
- The dealer takes cards off the pile one at a time and looks at it.
- If the dealer wants a card, they can replace a card from their hand (no player should ever have more than 4 cards in their hand at a time).
- If the dealer does not want the card, they will pass it to the next player.
- This process will then be repeated by all players.
- Once someone gets 4 of a kind, they will grab a spoon from the middle of the table.
- After a player grabs a spoon, the other players will grab a spoon as fast as they can.
- There is 1 player that won't get a spoon. That player will be eliminated
- A spoon is then removed. The number of spoons should always be one less than the number of players.
- Repeat these steps each round, until only 1 person remains.
- Once all 8 tables are done, the 8 people left will play the final round.

Royalty

- Eligibility Criteria
 - Enrollment: Candidates must be currently enrolled full-time students at Winona State University and in good academic standing.
 - Class Standing: must be at least a first-year student.
 - Conduct: Candidates must have a clean disciplinary record. Any significant infractions could result in disqualification.
- Nomination Process
 - Student Nominations: Students can be nominated by their peers, clubs, faculty, or staff. Self-nominations are also allowed.
 - Nomination Form: Nominees must complete a detailed application, which will include short-answer essay questions.
 - Deadline: All nomination forms must be submitted by Friday, October 10 at noon.
 - Late submissions will not be accepted.
- Expectations:

- The candidates selected will be expected to attend Lip Sync, the Homecoming parade, Warrior Game Day Experience, and halftime at the Football Game.
- Respectful Campaigning: Candidates must treat all fellow competitors with respect. Slander or sabotage will result in disqualification.
- Code of Ethics: Candidates are expected to adhere to a code of ethics that emphasizes sportsmanship, honesty, and fairness.
- Roles: The crowned royalty are expected to serve as positive representatives of the university, participating in campus events throughout the week.
- Campaigning Rules
 - Start Date: Campaigning may only begin after official notification from the selection committee.
 - Campaign Materials: All campaign materials (posters, flyers, social media posts, etc.) must be respectful and inclusive. No offensive or discriminatory content is allowed.
 - Social Media: Candidates must follow university guidelines for social media use and avoid harassment, spamming, or the use of false claims.
 - Distribution: All campaign material distribution must follow campus guidelines.
- Voting Process
 - Open to All Students: Voting is open to all currently enrolled students. Each student may only cast one vote.
 - Voting will occur at the Lip Sync competition on Wednesday, October 22 from 7:00pm to 8:30pm.
 - Non-partisan Monitoring: The Homecoming Planning Group will oversee the voting to ensure fairness.
- Selection Criteria
 - 50% Popular Vote: The first half of the scoring is based on the student body's votes.
 - 50% Judging Panel: An interview with a panel of judges (faculty, staff, and alumni) will evaluate candidates on various factors such as:
 - Leadership and involvement in campus activities
 - Academic achievement
 - Community service or volunteer work
 - Personal character and interview performance
- Announcement of Winners
 - Crowning Ceremony: The homecoming royalty will be announced and crowned at the Lip Sync competition.

Display Decoration and Parade Float Guidelines

- All decorations must be appropriate and may not depict gore, blood, death, alcohol or images that represent alcohol, depictions of drugs or illegal substances, or nudity. Remember that alumni, campus administration, and community members will be seeing these during Homecoming week and at the parade.
- No profanity or slurs will be tolerated
- Display structure and supplies will be provided during the organized decorating event on Monday, October 20 from noon to 7:00pm.

- Parade entry supplies will not be provided.
- All decorations must accurately represent the club, organization, or team that makes the decorations.
- Decorations should represent Winona State and Homecoming spirit.