

Parade Contests

All dogs that enter the Big Dog Parade are automatically entered into the Parade contests. 25 judge's choice ribbons are awarded during the Parade. As participants pass the judges stand, they are photographed and awarded a Judges Choice Ribbon if the judges feel they should be in the running to win one of the 6 Parade categories.

Best in Parade

...awarded to the individual dog or group of dogs with the best overall presentation. This is the best of the best! This individual or group stands out among all other participants for their creativity, humor, and presentation

Most Humorous

...awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place individual dogs dressed in the most hilarious and funny costumes

Best Costume

...awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place individual dogs whose costumes are the most creative and eye catching

President's Choice

...awarded to the individual or group of dogs that is the personal favorite of the President of Big Dog Sportswear

Best Business

...awarded to the business group with the best theme, presentation and effort

Best Charity

...awarded to the 501 (c)3 non-profit charity with the best theme, presentation and effort

Best School

...awarded to the school band or dancers whose performance in the Parade stands out above the rest

Festival Contests

Participants can sign up for the Festival contests in front of the Big Dog inflatable near the stage at the Festival.

Festival Queen

...awarded to the female dog with the most creative and hilarious costume

Festival King

...awarded to the male dog with the most creative and hilarious costume

Best Bark

...awarded to the dog with a bark that stands out!