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2020 Strawberry Youth Parade winners announced

PLANT CITY, Fla. (February 29, 2020) – The Florida Strawberry Festival announced today the winners in its annual Strawberry Youth Parade.

The Florida Strawberry Festival hosts the youth parade each year that highlights youth groups, dance studios, school marching bands and other community youth organizations. Other than chaperones, all participants in the youth parade are 18 years of age and under.

Floats are decorated to include strawberries and the Florida Strawberry Festival's current theme. The theme for this year's Festival is "Our Perfect Vision!"

"It is a privilege for us to give recognition to the youth in our community," said Florida Strawberry Festival President Paul Davis. "We always look forward to seeing the Strawberry Youth Parade and the students who have worked so hard to share their love for our event."

In the best group float category, Faith Christian Academy won first place, Advantage Academy of Hillsborough won second place and Drawdy's Dance School won third place.

In the best church float category, Eastside Baptist Church won first place, Lebanon Baptist Church won second place and Gospel Mets Youth won third place.

In the best marching unit category, Patrick Patriots Twirling Corps won first place, Boys and Girls Club of Polk County won second place and Gentlemens Quest of Marshall Middle School won third.

In the best band category, Dowdell Middle School Dolphin Pride Band won first place, Icon Preparatory School Marching Rattlers Band won second place and the Tomlin Middle School Band won third place.

The grand parade will be held on Monday, March 2. It will begin at 1 p.m. and will pass by the south side of the Festival grounds at approximately 2 p.m.

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About the Florida Strawberry Festival

The Florida Strawberry Festival is an 11-day community event celebrating the strawberry harvest of Eastern Hillsborough County. Each year, over 500,000 visitors enjoy the festival's headline entertainment, youth livestock shows, exhibits of commerce and, of course, its strawberry shortcake. The 2020 Florida Strawberry Festival where will take place February 27 - March 8 in Plant City, Fla and will be "Our Perfect Vision!" For more information, visit www.flstrawberryfestival.com, Facebook, Instagram and Twitter (#berryfest20).

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