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The Krewe of Highland's Mardi Gras Parade is all set to roll out at 2:00 p.m. February 23, 2020, and the Shreveport Police Department would like to take this opportunity to pass on a friendly reminder to parade-goers regarding some ground rules that are in place to ensure everyone has a fun, safe Mardi Gras experience.

Police will close Fern Avenue from Greenway Place to Atlantic Avenue beginning at 8:00 a.m. Sunday morning and it will remain closed until the parade is finished. This is the designated parade staging area.

At approximately 1:00 p.m., officers will close all intersecting streets along the parade route. Barricades will be set up and officers will be assigned to monitor those intersections and will allow residents ingress and egress to their homes as needed. Authorities will open up those intersections as soon as the parade passes and it is safe to do so.

The parade will begin at **2pm** and will proceed as follows: **north on Gilbert Drive, west on Gladstone Boulevard, north on Creswell Avenue, east on Herndon Street, south on Highland Avenue, east on Olive Street, south on Centenary Boulevard, and end at the intersection of Gilbert Drive and Gladstone Boulevard. All side streets accessing this route will be blocked.**

Safety Tips:

- Do not leave children unattended! Make plans to meet up at a particular location in case children become separated from guardians during the parade.
- Do not fight or struggle over beads.
- Keep a safe distance from the floats.
- **LOCK YOUR VEHICLES**
- Do not take purses or wallets to parades.
- Obey all traffic signs and directions from officers.
- No ATV's, Golf Carts, dirt bikes or other motorized recreational vehicles are allowed on the roadway.
- **Use common sense and treat others like you would want to be treated!**

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