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There won't be any road closures for Breakfast with Santa (7 a.m.-11:30 a.m. at the Burleson Community Center) on Saturday, Dec. 6. But, roads will be closed starting as early as 3:30 p.m. to keep everyone safe for the Burleson Rotary Club's "Christmas Around the World" parade as well as the City's tree lighting, visits with Santa, and 15-minute fireworks show choreographed to music.

The parade will step off from Kerr Middle School on Johnson Avenue at 6 p.m. Line-up at the stadium parking lot begins at 4 p.m. The tree lighting and fireworks will take place at approximately 7 p.m. at the corner of Johnson and Ellison Street, between First Baptist Church and the Burleson Police Department.

The parade's traditional route starts at Kerr Middle School, then goes up Johnson Avenue to Ellison Street, through Old Town to Main Street, and circles back through the neighborhoods to the school.

Several Old Town streets along the route will be closed starting at 3:30 p.m. on Dec. 6. Those street closures include:

- Ellison Street at Southwest Anderson
- Ellison Street at Southwest Johnson
- Magnolia at Southwest Anderson
- Magnolia at Southwest Johnson
- Haskew at Renfro Street
- Southwest Johnson at Renfro (beginning at 5 p.m., and including the left turn lanes on Renfro and Johnson)
- Southwest Johnson at Southeast Tarrant Avenue (closed after the parade passes)

Streets that will close at 4 p.m. on Dec. 6 so the parade entrants can be staged in the school parking lot, include:

- Irene Street at Gregory Street
- Irene at Dian Street
- Lena Street at Irene

Several roads will also be closed on Dec. 6 to ensure the safety of the pedestrians and onlookers who are staying for the fireworks show at the corner of Johnson Avenue and Ellison Street.

At noon, Haskew Street from Ellison to Magnolia and Magnolia from Haskew to Johnson will be closed. At 3 p.m., Ellison from Southwest Anderson to Johnson will be closed as well as Magnolia from Anderson to Johnson and Haskew from Renfro to Ellison. Thirty minutes before the 8 p.m. fireworks show, Johnson will be closed from Tarrant to Renfro, Ellison will be closed from Bransom to Johnson, and Renfro will be closed at the intersection with Johnson Avenue.

Everyone is encouraged to stay away from the fireworks staging area to ensure the safety of the operators as well as the onlookers.

A map showing the parade route and the location of all intersection barricades is available in PDF format on the City of Burleson website at [www.burlesontx.com](http://www.burlesontx.com).

For more information call the public information office at 817-447-5400, ext. 286.