



August 13-23, 2026

To Non-Registered Campers:

DMPD will not allow campers to sit on University Ave. for extended periods of time. Campers will run the risk of being kicked off the main road if they are caught doing this.

1. Gate 2 at the intersection of 33rd and University will open at 6:00 a.m. August 9th. Campers will start staging at the red cattle gate on the northeast side of the campgrounds.
2. On Sunday, August 9th at 8:00 a.m., we will be allowing ten campers at a time into the Campgrounds.
3. Please do not have someone try to save your spot by standing on it, parking on it, or any other method. We are doing this so that people who have been waiting in line the longest will have the first chance at the various camping spots still open.
4. Please be sure not to camp on any area where there is a yellow flag.
5. When you get your camper parked in the Campgrounds, please fill out the white card and turn it into the office. This is for emergency purposes only. It has nothing to do with getting you pre-registered for next year.
6. No Romex is allowed in the Campgrounds.
7. Please understand that the camping spot you find does not mean that you have a camping spot for 2027. You will not be sent information for 2027. A registration form will need to be sent to the Iowa State Fair between January 1st and May 1st.
It is taking 20 years or more to get a permanent camping spot.
8. No switching campers once you are in line.
9. We do not guarantee electrical hook-ups to non-registered campers.
10. No heavy equipment will be allowed in the campgrounds for leveling.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!