

Good afternoon all...

Thursday, April 11, 2019

The spring breakers begin rolling in today and will roll out, for the most part, Sunday afternoon.

### Some pointers/reminders...

- ❖ Always follow directions/directives given by a police officer.
- ❖ Avoid west Biloxi, if you can, from the lighthouse west to DeBuys Road (which divides Biloxi and Gulfport).
- ❖ Do not move or go around officially placed barricades.
- ❖ Biloxi Police Department implements traffic plans for major public events. [See the Spring Break Traffic Plan](#)
- ❖ When traffic gets heavy on Highway 90, police will close the east and west bound lanes closest to the median to all vehicles except first responders (fire, police, ambulance).

### For residents of Maison d'Orleans, Grande View apartments and Briarfield subdivision only...

- ❖ **There is no "Neighborhood Pass" this year.** Based on last year's experience, Biloxi Police officials note that the passes have become more of a hindrance than a help.
- ❖ The "coliseum shortcut" will be open, allowing access to Beauvoir Road; there will be a law enforcement presence at the Pine Grove gate during peak hours of traffic through that gate.
- ❖ The traffic plan this year is the same as last year's traffic plan, so barricades should be up, with an officer present at Pine Grove and Briarfield Avenues.

### A word of encouragement...

B-Alert is a FREE, real-time, on-the-go messaging system to advise residents and visitors of traffic information and other advisories directly to your cell phone. **On your cell phone**, text **BILOXI** to **888777**. You will receive a follow-up message asking for your ZIP code in the event the city transmits a geo-targeted message. If you decide at any time you don't want to receive B-Alert messages, just reply with STOP. You can re-sign up at any time. [Click here to see sample advisories via B-Alert](#)

### Read more about Spring Break from local media sources...

- ❖ [City Desk Podcast: Major news: Spring Break, air show and more \(City of Biloxi\)](#)
- ❖ [Orange cones, venting: What to know about traffic, parking during black spring break \(Sun Herald\)](#)
- ❖ [CTA, Keesler adjust schedules for Spring Break weekend \(Keith Wilson, facebook\)](#)
- ❖ [Spring breakers on why they come back \(Sun Herald\)](#)
- ❖ [Workers labor to make the beach squeaky clean for Spring Break \(WLOX\)](#)
- ❖ [Spring Break promoter talks attendance numbers, traffic issues, and police presence \(WLOX\)](#)
- ❖ [Biloxi prepares for Spring Break traffic \(WXXV\)](#)
- ❖ [Biloxi police preparing for Spring Break weekend \(WXXV\)](#)

**A final note...** The city has contracted with a number of additional law enforcement staff in south Mississippi for this event. If you happen to see one of these officers, thank them for helping us out!

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