



## VOR SAMPLE / SUGGESTED TIMELINE & CEREMONY START TIME

This is quite possibly the most important thing you will do. This is the glue that holds all the parts and people related to your wedding together. Being thoughtful with your timeline ensures that everyone is happy and that you get to simply enjoy your day knowing there is a plan for what to do next already in place.

Here is a suggested timeline that works well for most of our events. You can easily change the times based on your wedding start time but this flow and approximate time for each portion of the event has worked well for hundreds of weddings here at VOR. The timeline will flow with the event so long as you have all the items in the order in which you would like for them to happen. Coordinators are great at making the events flow with the framework in place in advance of the event.

Be sure to consult the photographer as well for the ceremony start time for the season of your wedding. This is of major importance for temperature, outdoor lighting, and completion of all requested photos.

### CEREMONY TIME

#### **Suggested Ceremony Times by Season**

Please keep in mind that the temperature and sunset time should be a major deciding factor for your outdoor ceremony start time. Photographers are a great resource for ceremony time and should be asked before a decision is made. Here are our suggestions:

#### **Spring (March - April)**

Ceremony Start Time: 5:30-6:00 PM

Sunset: 6:30-7:30 PM

\*Varied Sunset due to Time Change in March

#### **Summer (May - July)**

Ceremony Start Time: 6:00-6:30 PM

Sunset: 8-8:30 PM

#### **Fall (September – October)**

Ceremony Start Time: 4:30-5:00 PM

Sunset: 6:30-7 PM

#### **Winter (November – December)**

Ceremony Start Time: 4:00-4:30 PM

Sunset: 5:30-6:30 PM

\*Varied Sunset due to Time Change in November

## *Sample/Suggested Timeline*

9:00 am	Girls Arrive for Hair & Makeup (based on Venue opening time in your contract)
2:00 pm	Boys Arrive
4:30 pm	Pre-Ceremony Photos - Photographer Arrives at _____pm
6:00 pm	Ceremony
6:30 pm	Cocktail Hour – Family Photos (this may be longer if there are no pre-ceremony photos)
7:00 pm	Introductions
7:15 pm	First Dance, Father/Daughter Dance, Mother/Son Dance
7:25 pm	Dinner (Blessing by _____)
8:15 pm	Toasts/Speeches by MOH, BM and Thank You from Bride & Groom
8:25 pm	Cake Cutting
9:00 pm	Bouquet/Garter Toss
10:15 pm	Last Call (No later than 10:30 pm)
10:30 pm	Send Off (This can also be earlier in the evening as a “photo opportunity” and guests can be welcomed back by the DJ into finish up the reception if you choose to do this earlier in the evening.)
11:00 pm	Vintage Oaks Ranch Closed (All guests should be out of the venue by 10:45 pm allowing space for vendors to pack up and exit the venue)