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What is Walk-a-thon?

Walk-a-thon is a long-revered community building event as well as one of our major fundraisers. We hope to see all students and their families attend. The main event has our entire school comm(unity) coming together to walk laps around the school track. It's an opportunity for walking, dancing to the DJ's music, socializing, munching on snacks and meeting our school mascot Champ!

This year's Walk-a-thon is combined with an online auction of memorable curated items sure to delight you and your child. Students encourage family and friends to donate to Walk-a-thon and/or bid in the online auction. All donations count towards fundraising prizes for students. Students need to meet their grade level's lap goal per student or raise \$150 to count towards participation prizes.

Lastly, this year we have a special addition - the Cherry Crest time capsule. Delayed by Covid, the time capsule will be unearthed in time for the contents to be displayed at Walk-a-thon and students can make suggestions for what should go in a new time capsule this year!

When and where is Walk-a-thon?

Walk-a-thon is on Friday, April 1 at the Cherry Crest school track. Students with a submitted permission slip walk during lunch recess and/or after school from 2:30-4:30pm. Click [here](#) to complete the online permission slip. Please complete one permission slip per student.

Who watches my child after school?

You are responsible for your child after school. Consider arranging a chaperone to meet your child if you are unable to attend. Each student requires a submitted permission slip to participate at lunch recess and/or after school. Click [here](#) to complete the online permission slip. Please complete one per student.

What does my child need to bring to Walk-a-thon?

Each student should wear their Walk-a-thon t-shirt to school along with appropriate walking shoes.

What if it rains on Walk-a-thon day?

We walk rain or shine, so please send your student(s) to school with appropriate clothing and shoes – including rain gear.

Do the kids get refreshments?

Snacks and water will be provided to all students during the Walk-a-thon.

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What are the Covid rules?

Please follow current [Public Health Seattle King County](#) guidance.

Are pets allowed?

No.

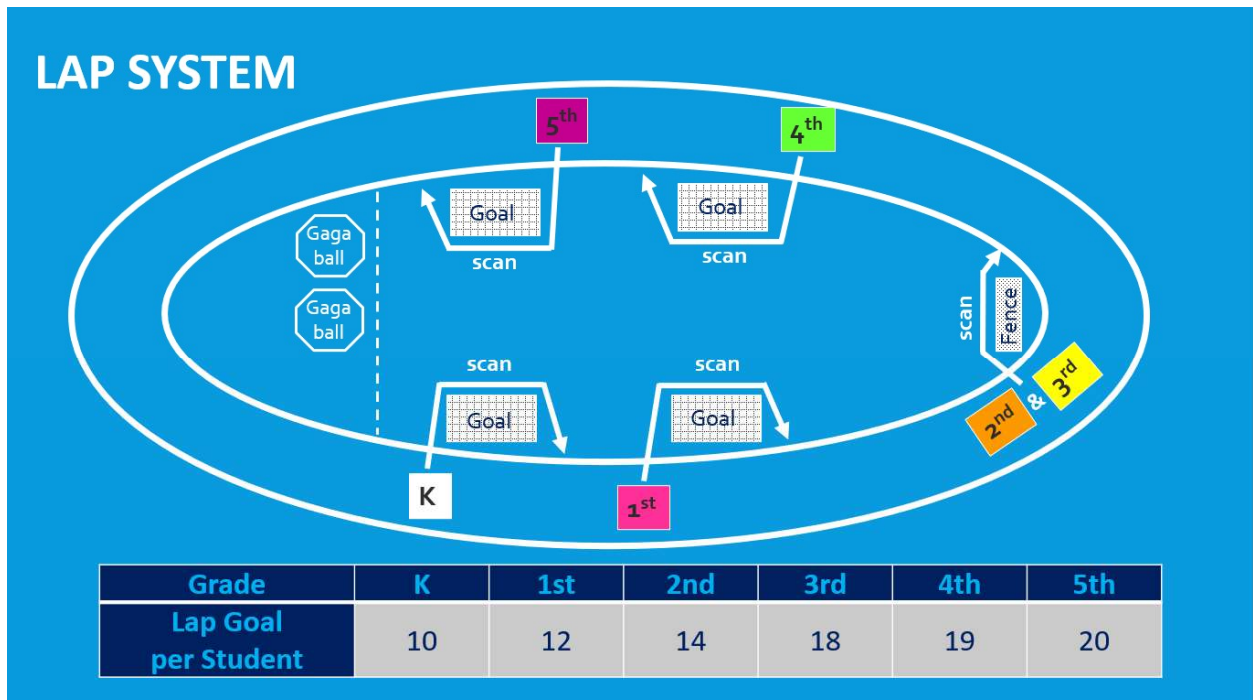
Where to park?

Expect to park off campus and walk 10-15 minutes to school. Please respect our neighbors and park responsibly. Make sure school buses and emergency vehicles can access all roads. Keep clear of driveways, crosswalks and stop signs. Parking on campus will be filled by staff, vendors and volunteers doing setup. Consider carpooling or connecting with families you know live close to Cherry Crest.

How are laps tracked?

This year we are using the EZ Tally application to track laps. Each student receives a QR code badge on a lanyard to be scanned by volunteers at their grade level's area around the track. Teachers will distribute student badges just before walking begins.

What are the Lap Goals? Where does my child get their badge scanned?



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How is participation tracked?

A student must reach their grade level lap goal per student or raise \$150 to be eligible for participation prizes. Be sure donors note your child's name in the provided fields when making a donation of any kind!

What are the awards?

Top Fundraiser Overall wins PE Teacher for a day and a class party in the gym!

Top Fundraiser per grade wins a class party in the gym!

Top Participation by class wins Big Foot honors (name of class on Big Foot plaque and Big Foot trophy in their classroom for the rest of this school year) plus gets to "Paint the Principals" at an extra recess!

70%+ Participation by class wins extra recess!

What is the suggested donation?

Suggested donation goal is \$150 per student. Our fundraising goal for this event is \$60,000! Click [here](#) to donate. Donations are tax deductible and eligible for corporate matching so please check with your employer to see if they will match your donations. **Matching funds are not factored into prize eligibility.**

What do the funds raised support?

Cherry Crest PTSA spends over \$100,000 each school year to fund extra General School Assistant hours in all 23 classrooms as well as teacher-selected curriculum enrichments like museum trips, author visits, engineering projects, science experiments and more for all 525 students. The funds contributed by families through PTSA activities (Read-a-thon and Walk-a-thon) provide these pivotal supports for our children. We are so grateful for all our families' assistance in strengthening our children's educational experience at Cherry Crest! Thank you!

How does the online auction work?

Visit <https://ccelementaryptsa.schoolauction.net/wat2022>. Click on "View Catalog" to view items available. When ready to bid, click "Register to Bid". Items in your cart are considered won unless you are outbid. When the auction closes you will receive an e-mail alerting you to checkout for any items you won. All donations via the auction will count towards Walk-a-thon fundraising prizes and are partially tax deductible.

How do I make a donation?

Visit <https://ccelementaryptsa.schoolauction.net/wat2022/give> to make a donation. All donations are 100% tax deductible. You have the option to support one or more specific students so they can meet fundraising goals and be eligible for fundraising prizes.