



Friday, October 13th, 2023

What is the JOG-A-THON?

The JOG-A-THON is a long-standing tradition here at Holy Redeemer that our students, staff, and community look forward to each year. It is our Fall Fundraiser and a great welcome back to campus celebration. Participants earn money by jogging, walking, dancing, or “running wild” around our campus. Participants receive pledges from family, friends, neighbors, or businesses to support their efforts. Donors can pledge by making a donation directly to our students or through sponsorship in support of our school.

When is the JOG-A-THON?

Friday, October 13th, 2023

See the attached map for each class’ running location & time

Please remember to park off school grounds after drop-off, as the students will be running on the parking lot.

What is our goal?

This year we would like to raise \$50,000!

Is my donation tax deductible?

Yes! Our tax ID: 93-0964356

Pledgestar: automatically emails a donation receipt sheet if you submit an online payment.

Paper Pledge: If you would like a donation receipt for your paper pledge. The donation needs to be made via check and include a mailing address. These will be mailed out at the beginning of November.

What do our donations go towards?

Your support helps to fund many of the great programs and events at our school. With your help, every child will benefit. We do not charge the full cost of educating a child and this is one of the ways we try to fill the gap. This money is used for the following operating costs: playground and gym equipment, Chromebooks, instruments for music class, science lab experiments, and contributes towards our general operating budget. This past year it helped pay for a new walk-in freezer and entry doors for the gym.

How do students participate?

In the month leading up to the JOG-A-THON, students collect pledges from family and friends, or they may also volunteer to collect pledges after mass.

Students run the JOG-A-THON during our regular school day in their designated time and zone on campus. They will be wearing a t-shirt featuring the winning logo design from one of our students!

How to Donate

Donations are collected via Pledgestar, our web-based fundraising system, and our paper pledge form.

Pledgestar: Adults are able to help their students create their own personal webpage and send out pledge requests via email, text, and social media. Friends and family are able to make secure credit card donations online that will count towards our school's fundraising goals.

Pledgestar + Paper check or cash: If you make a donation online but would like to send a check or cash with your student, please include the reference number, students name & grade.

Paper pledge forms: a suggested donation letter is included in this packet and additional copies can be printed from HR's JOG-A-THON website. We request that all monetary donations be submitted with your pledge sheet. We will not be billing after the event. Please turn in pledges in your enclosed envelope to your teacher. They will be counted towards your class totals and returned to you throughout the JOG-A-THON season.

Student Pledge Opportunity at Mass

Father Paul and Father Michael would like to welcome students to ask for donations after church.

Pair up with a classmate and bring your pledge sheet and clipboard. We recommend students wear uniforms and wait on the porch, next to the JOG-A-THON sign so that parishioners know where to go. Two weeks following the JOG-A-THON students will return to mass and give an update to the parish and say Thank you! *All pledges received will go towards your student. Families will receive 1 fair share hour for your effort.*

Follow this link to sign up today:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508044AACAE2AA6FE3-44112567-jogathon>

This can also be found on our JOG-A-THON Webpage and in the JOG-A-THON 101 email.

Volunteering

Volunteers are required to RSVP in advance on SignUp Genius and must be fully vaccinated if they will be interacting with children. Proof of vaccination is required on file prior to the event. If you submitted vaccination information last year, the school has your information.

The class with the most adult Volunteers wins 2 Fair Share Hours for the entire Class. Please remember to record your fair share hours in FACTS.

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<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508044AACAE2AA6FE3-44112513-hr2023>

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CASE Training / Background check

Needed if you will be interacting with students for any volunteering, even helping tie shoe laces.

Offered: September 18th at 7:00 PM: English and Spanish - Library and Media Center,

September 23rd: at 7:00 PM: English and Spanish - Library and Media Center, and

October 4th English 6:00 PM / Case Spanish 7:30 PM - Media Center

Follow this link to RSVP for CASE training: <https://forms.gle/YrFrAq12bqM2uMGu9>

Can I or family members run/ walk with students?

Family members, volunteers and spectators may run with students if you've completed CASE training/background check.

JOG-A-THON Photos = 1 Fair Share Hour

Earn 1 Fair Share hour for submitting your JOG-A-THON photos to Jogathon@holyredeemerpx.org by October 16th. Please do not post these on FB groups. There are a number of students on our do not photo list. We need to confirm what can be used before posting.

Sponsorship

If you are looking for a way to make an impact with your donation, please consider a sponsorship for yourself or your business. Contact: hr-sponsorship@holyredeemerpx.org

Playground

Only students attending Holy Redeemer will have access to the playground the day of the JOG-A-THON.

Anything else I should know?

Yes! Sunscreen

Comfy socks that won't slip down. Shoes that fit.

Consider packing a drink with electrolytes and/or an extra water bottle.

If it is raining, a raincoat and a dry set of clothes/socks/shoes makes for a happy jogger.

Post Run Popsicles

Generously donated for all of our students!

Thank you Parent Club!

Spirit Store

Will be at the JOG-A-THON!

Pick up a cheer pack to encourage our runners without losing your voice!

They are also available at the spirit store, proceeds from cheer packs will help us reach our JOG-A-THON goal.

They include: 1 pom pom, a handy clapper, and chalk to put your love and encouragement in writing.

It's also a good time to pick up some Spirit items as we head into fall/winter

or order a new HR uniform shirt, long-sleeved weather will be here soon!

With proceeds of all other items going to the Parent Club.

I have more questions!

Wonderful! We would love to hear from you.

Please email Nikki and Melissa at Jogathon@holyredeemerpx.org

PRIZES

Free Dress Week

with a special surprise from Principal McPheeters on Friday!

Monday, October 16 - Friday, October 20th | For the entire school if we reach our goal of \$50k!

Free Dress Day!

Monday, October 2nd

For the entire school if we receive 10k by September 30th

1st Place Class

Pizza Party with Principal McPheeters and Father Paul | For the class that has the most donations total!

2nd Place Class

Surprise Party | For the class that has the most donations total!

3rd Place Class

Surprise Party

For the class that has the most donations total!

JBL Bluetooth Speaker

For the student with the most donations total!

Playlist for 8th Grade Running Loop

For the 8th grader with the most donations by September 29th

The playlist must be "clean" and submitted by October 6th

2 Free Fair Share Hours for Each Family in Your Class!

For the class with the most volunteers

The Coveted Weekly Class Prize!

For the class with the most donations each week (based on %)

Daily Class Prizes

For each day's highest donations (% of growth) during the last week

PLEDGESTAR INSTRUCTIONS

For our HR 2023 JOG-A-THON this year, we're once again using an awesome web based fundraising system that makes it much easier for you to request pledges from your family and friends, and for them to make secure credit card donations online. It's fun, it's easy, and people who use it typically raise twice as much as those who don't!

Remember, our HR 2023 JOG-A-THON is October 13th, so please register now to help our school raise as much as we can for Musical Instruments, Playground Equipment, Science Experiments, Technology, and so much more! It is a longstanding tradition that our students, staff, and community look forward to each year. The students help design the t-shirts, volunteer at church, work together to win class prizes, and of course, run, dance, and walk their way across campus to raise donations. Your tax-deductible pledge contribution allows Holy Redeemer Catholic School to provide a truly exceptional learning experience! The entire school thanks you for your generosity because we couldn't do this without YOU!

Using your computer's browser:

Go to <http://pledgestar.com/holyredeemer>

Click "Not Registered For This Year's Event"

Enter your name and email address, then click "Submit"

Follow the instructions on-screen to register Jogger(s) and add family and friends

Using your Android or Apple phone or tablet:

Using Mobile:

Go to the Apple App Store on IOS or the Amazon App Store on Android and search for:

"PledgeStar" to download the Family App, or go to

<https://pledgestar.com/holyredeemer/downloadapp.html>

On the home screen enter your event code: "holyredeemer" to locate your event

Click "Not Registered For This Year's Event"

Enter your name and email address, then click "Submit"

Follow the instructions on-screen to register Jogger(s) and add family and friends

You did it!

When you finish, the system emails pledge requests to your family and friends and allows them to make secure credit card donations online. You get notified each time a pledge is made, and you can track your pledge progress online.

Still need help?

Call 1-888-598-7510

HOW DO I ASK FOR DONATIONS?!

Helpful talking points for kids

Who

Our entire school raises money by collecting pledges.

We can ask

Family, Friends, Neighbors, Trusted Adults

Holy Redeemer Parishioners (at the end of Mass)

What

JOG-A-THON is a fun way that Holy Redeemer Students have been supporting the school for a very long time.

Classes compete with each other to raise the most money.

Our goal is \$50,000.

We celebrate with a run that has music, decorations, and people cheering us on!

Where

At our school.

Younger kids run in the gym or on campus.

Older kids get to run around the outside of the school.

When

Friday, October 13th!

We are collecting pledges NOW to earn class prizes.

Why

Because WE LOVE HOLY REDEEMER!!!

Raises money for things that make learning fun like:

science experiments

musical instruments

playground and gym equipment

Also, things we need like light bulbs and construction paper.

How

We are using Pledgestar, a website that collects pledges.

I can text or email you a link.

OR

We have a paper pledge form.

Cash or checks can be mailed to the school or sent in with me to my teacher.

WILEY SAMPLE SCRIPT

*Even Wiley Wildcat is earning money for JOG-A-THON,
Wiley shared a sample script to help!*

Wiley:

Hi Grandma! I am really excited to talk to you about the Holy Redeemer Catholic School JOG-A-THON happening on October 13th!

I am raising money for playground equipment, science experiments, musical instruments and so many other things that make Holy Redeemer awesome!

My classmates and I work really hard to collect pledges and then spend a super fun day running around the school.

It makes me really proud that I can help my school, but I couldn't do it without your help. Would you please consider sponsoring me in the JOG-A-THON?

Grandma:

I would love to support you and Holy Redeemer!
How do I make a pledge?

Wiley:

We are using a secure program called Pledgestar, so I can email or text you a link with my information. If you prefer, I can write down your information on my paper pledge sheet and you can pay by cash or check.

THANK YOU GRANDMA! For supporting me and Holy Redeemer Catholic School!

