

The Columbine Elementary School Walkathon Fundraiser

General Information

The **Walkathon** is an annual fall fundraiser that raises money directly for Columbine. Students of all grade levels walk/jog/run around a 1/8-mile track and complete as many laps as possible in a 30-minute time span. The children will use their walked distances in classroom activities and lessons.

When: The Inaugural Walkathon will be held on Tuesday, September 17, 2013 at Columbine's outdoor area. Each grade will walk for 30 minutes at an assigned time.

7:40-8:40 **5th Grade**
8:50-9:50 **4th Grade, A.M. and Full-Day Pre-K**
10:10-11:10 **1st Grade, Kindergarten**
12:10-1:10 **2nd Grade, Kindergarten**
1:30-2:30 **3rd Grade, P.M. Pre-K**

Why: All donations and pledges stay at Columbine. This year's funds will support such programs as the Columbine Masters Series, which involves community members sharing their expertise with students each Wednesday.

More Info: Time-Students will walk for 30 minutes during their assigned Walkathon hour.
Clothing-Participants should wear walking shoes, hat, sunscreen and active clothing.
Snacks-Water and sliced fruit will be provided throughout the Walkathon.
Help-Parents/Guardians are welcome and encouraged to participate.
 Pre-K parents/guardians are especially encouraged to walk with their children.

Age	An Average Child Can Walk
3	2-4 Laps
4-5	5-9 Laps
6-7	6-12 Laps
8-10	10-20 Laps
11-13	12-25 Laps

What You Do:

- 1. Read through the enclosed Walkathon Pledging & Billing information.**
 In this packet you will find the Pledging & Donation Collecting Guidelines and a student pledge sheet (on the back of this page). Please check your email for the SlyReply volunteer request.
- 2. Collect Pledges Per Lap or Flat Donations for the Walkathon.**
 Call, email (template available online, see below for link), visit or write family and friends to ask for their support. Complete pledge sheet on the back of this page with sponsor information.
All materials can be found at www.columbinepto.weebly.com to be sent or printed from home. Hard copies are also available in the office.
- 3. Get Excited for Walkathon Day!**
 Wear Columbine shirts or colors on Tuesday, Sept. 17th and watch for the PTO (PAWS) Website (www.columbinepto.weebly.com) and Principal's Note (www.columbine.wpsdk12.org) for news, updates and volunteer opportunities.
- 4. Walk, Jog, or Run During Your Walkathon Time on Sept. 17th.**
 Laps will be recorded and sent home with students. Do your best and have fun! Prizes for most laps completed and highest fundraisers will be announced at a later date.
- 5. Collect pledges.**
 You may collect flat donations before and after the Walkathon and pledges-per-lap after the Walkathon. Put your pledge sheet(s) and pledges in the provided large, labeled envelope.
- 6. Turn In Your Pledges (in Envelope) by Monday, September 30th.**
 Bring your envelopes with completed pledge sheets(s) and donations to your teacher or the front office by September 30th. This includes flat donations and pledges-per-lap!

If each child collects an average of \$50, we will raise over \$15,000 DIRECTLY for Columbine!

Rain Date: Tuesday, Oct. 1st. Walkathon Rain Date pledges would be due on or before Monday, Oct. 14th.