

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Do I have to pay to participate in the race?

Registration for all participants is \$35. A discounted registration fee of \$15 is available for children 3 – 12 using the promo code MAREkid17. You will make this payment online when you sign up.

What if I just want to come and watch?

We hope that everyone who comes to the event will participate! However, if you are unable to join the race, you should still register as a walker so that you can fundraise AND participate in the day's fun activities. For purposes of insurance, we ask that everyone attending the event register.

Can I register the day of the event?

You can, but it is WAY easier to do it online ahead of time. Plus, you ensure that you get the right-sized t-shirt! If you are going to register the day of the event, please arrive prior to 10:00 a.m. The registration fee can be paid onsite using cash or credit card. Every adult will have to sign a liability waiver on behalf of him or herself and any minor children.

Where do I park? Is there a charge?

There are parking spaces galore. There is no charge for parking.

What happens at registration?

There will be two different registration tables, one for walkers and one for runners. You will get your t-shirt and bib number at that time. You can turn in any donations that you have brought with you.

Is there breakfast?

Yep! There will be coffee, juice, and water as well as yummy stuff like muffins and doughnuts.

How far do I have to walk/ run?

The race is 5 kilometers (3.2 miles) around a paved track. The track is a mile long and the race is just over 3 laps.

Can kids take part in the race?

Absolutely! Kids 3 and older need to be registered, but all ages are welcome to join in.

What about strollers?

Yes, you can bring your strollers for little ones. Kids under 3 do not need to pay a registration fee. Kids 3 and older must register even if they will be riding in a stroller.

Can I bring my dog or cat or hamster?

Sorry! No pets. Service animals are allowed as required by law.

My kids want to rollerblade, is that allowed?

You can bring roller-blades, wagons, and razor scooters. We just ask that you be mindful of the other participants when considering what to bring and that all children be supervised.

What is the money I raise going to be used for?

ALL funds raised through registration fees and participant fundraising goes directly to the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE). MARE finds adoptive homes for children and teens waiting in foster care. You can learn more about what we do by visiting our [website](#).

What is the after-race party?

Accompanied by tunes spun by a DJ, the after-race party features activities for all ages like crafts, glitter tattoos, and a parkour experience with HUB Parkour Training Center. There will be several fun races on the lawn for different age groups as well as entertainment. Lunch is served buffet-style.

Is there lunch?

Of course! You will be hungry after all that exercise. Lunch is served as part of the after-race party.

Can I volunteer at the event?

Contact Megan Dolan at megand@mareinc.org to see how you can help!