

Elementary Jog-A-Thon

Friday, March 29, 2019

On **March 29**, we will be having our annual *Elementary Jog-A-Thon*. It is the **premier fundraiser** for SCA to support its overall mission and programs. Last year, we had a tremendous event with a lot of fun and participation by students and parents alike. We anticipate another great time in just three weeks!

Our goal this year is to raise **\$15,000—this equates to \$100 per elementary family**. We need every family to participate! **“100% In” is our motto!** Your involvement will help raise the necessary funds to support SCA but will also generate the excitement to make the Jog-A-Thon a blast for your child!

Here are Six Easy Steps:

1. **List:** Make a list of people who you know appreciate the mission of our school and would be willing to support your child financially for running in the Jog-A-Thon. These individuals can be relatives, grandparents, aunts, uncles, neighbors, church members, and other family friends. You may even ask businesses you frequent to support your child—hairdresser, dentist, orthodontist, etc. **Start with the people you asked last year!**
2. **Approach:** Begin approaching the individuals on your list. Have your child tell them about the event, how many laps they would like to run, and how much fun it will be! You can even **mail/email/text** a simple invitation to many on your list and it will prove to be efficient and effective. See enclosed sample letter. You can raise \$100 in many ways—20 people giving \$5; 10 people giving \$10; 5 people giving \$20; or any combination. We ask that you get **flat donations** instead of a certain dollar amount per lap—it makes the process easier.
3. **Collect:** As people commit, fill in your donation/pledge sheet with their pertinent information. Try to collect the donation **at the time of asking** to make things easier. We accept cash and checks. All checks need to be made out to **SCA with Jog-A-Thon** written in the memo line. *All donations are considered tax-deductible gifts for tax purposes.*
4. **Turn-In:** Turn in your pledge sheets/donations in a regular envelope with your child's name on it to your child's teacher on our three collection dates—**Fridays, March 15, March 22, and March 29**. Each pledge sheet is labeled in descending order so all you have to do is tear off the back one and turn it in. All donations not collected by the day of the event will need to be collected and turned in after spring break. **Be sure to write down the names of the ones still to be collected after turning in your pledge sheets.**
5. **Cheer:** Come to school on **Friday, March 29**, to assist with water/marketing laps and cheer your child on during their Jog-A-Thon time slot. You can even run with your child if you'd like! Your child will need to wear running shoes, modest shorts, and their very own 2019 SCA Jog-A-Thon T-shirt that he/she will receive. Complete the size form attached to this packet and return to your child's teacher by this **Wednesday, March 13**.
6. **Prizes:** There are potential prizes for each grade and family. If you meet your family goals, the prizes are extended to all of your elementary children! All prizes will be distributed according to the prize chart below.

Day of Event

Friday, March 29, will be a half-day of school for our elementary students. Students will come to school in their running attire including their Jog-A-Thon t-shirt. Students will be dismissed by 11:30 AM for the day but you may take your child home after they run. Here are the time slots for that morning:

K3-2nd Grade: 9:00-9:45 AM
3rd-5th Grade: 10:15-11:00 AM

Prizes

- **Turn-In Days:** Every family that turns in at least \$25 pledges/donations on **each turn-in day** will receive a packet of **three coupons** for each elementary child in the family—one Hat Day, one free Jeans Day (Fridays only), and one Pajama Day (day TBD by school). These coupons will be distributed no later than the Tuesday morning after each collection date.
- **Family Goal:** Every family that meets the \$100 family goal will receive **five (5) No Written Homework Passes!**
- **Grade-level:** The elementary grade (K3-5th) that raises the most money per student (total money divided by number of students) will receive an **Ice Cream Blast Party & No Written Homework for a week!** Date of each to be determined by the grade level teachers with Mrs. Hager's help after spring break.
- **Top Fundraiser:** The elementary student/family that raises the most money will receive a **free day out of school for their elementary children!** TBD by parents of the student.

Sample Letter/Email/Text

March 12, 2019

Dear _____,

On March 29, I have the opportunity to participate in a really fun event at my school called the SCA Jog-A-Thon. It is a day when my friends and I get to run laps along with great music and our parents cheering us on! I also get to raise money to support my school, Sherwood Christian Academy.

I am contacting you to see if you would be willing to financially sponsor me. There are cool prizes for me as well as my classmates if we reach our goals. **My goal is to raise \$100!** Any amount from you would be appreciated but I am looking for 10 people to sponsor me for \$10. Would you be willing to help me with a \$10 donation?

You can sponsor me with cash or by check written to **SCA** with **Jog-A-Thon** in the memo line. All donations are considered **tax-deductible gifts** for tax purposes. You can send it to me at my home address or give it to me when I see you next.

Thanks in advance for sponsoring me and helping me raise necessary funds to support the mission and programs of Sherwood Christian Academy.

Sincerely,

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SCA Jog-A-Thon T-Shirt Form

SCA will provide your child(ren) with their very own 2019 Jog-A-Thon T-shirt free of charge. Please cut off this completed form and return to your child's teacher by **Wednesday, March 13**, so that we can be sure to have their t-shirts ready by the event. **Complete a separate form for each of your elementary-age children.**

Name _____ Teacher/Grade _____

Size Needed

___ Youth X Small

___ Youth XL

___ Youth Small

___ Adult Small

___ Youth Medium

___ Adult Medium

___ Youth Large

___ Adult Large

Pledge/Donation Sheet for Week 3—March 29 Turn-In Date

Student Name: _____ **Grade:** _____

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Please write down the names of those you still need to collect money from before turning this sheet in.

Pledge/Donation Sheet for Week 2—March 22 Turn-In Date

Student Name: _____ **Grade:** _____

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Please write down the names of those you still need to collect money from before turning this sheet in.

Pledge/Donation Sheet for Week 1—March 15 Turn-In Date

Student Name: _____ **Grade:** _____

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Please write down the names of those you still need to collect money from before turning this sheet in.

Pledge/Donation Sheet for Week 1—March 16 Turn-In Date

Student Name: _____ **Grade:** _____

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Donor's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____

Yes, I have collected money.
(check box if applies)

Please write down the names of those you still need to collect money from before turning this sheet in.