



Saturday, October 10th, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
at the Oak School field

Friday, September 25, 2009	Registration and donation forms due to classroom teachers.
Friday, October 9, 2009	Lap cards with lanyard distributed to students. Wear this around your neck at the event!
Saturday, October 10, 2009	Walkathon at 9 a.m. in the Oak school field. Free t-shirts handed out at the event to all participants.
Monday, October 12, 2009	Students bring home donation envelopes.
Friday, October 16, 2009	Donation envelopes due to classroom teachers.

About This Year's Walkathon

The Walkathon, one of Oak's biggest fundraisers, is a fun-filled day in which students walk, run, hop and dance around a specially created course with side attractions, entertainment, snacks, and music. Our theme this year is the Magic Circus. As your children make their way around the course they will take turns watching and participating in circus and magic acts in the center rings. They will earn prizes as they complete laps, and the goal is to reach 100 laps! Grade K children will be provided a 50 lap credit, and Grade 1 children will be provided a 25 lap credit. At certain times during the day double lap credit is provided for each lap completed, giving children an extra boost toward reaching 100. Reaching 100 means more funds raised for Oak through lap pledges, a sense of accomplishment for your child, and a 100 lap prize. For those who don't reach 100 this year, the good news is there's always next year.

With your donations and pledges you collect from friends and family, the Walkathon raises crucial funds for school programs, equipment, and facilities that help make Oak one of the best elementary schools in California. Specific funding needs this year include new math books, updated classroom technology, a long-needed remodel for the Multi, and a new program called Starting Arts. To give a concrete example of the scope of Oak's funding needs, the Starting Arts program alone will cost \$25,000 this year. Other ongoing needs supported by the Walkathon include the music program, sports equipment, and basic classroom materials.

What to wear. Make sure your child dresses comfortably and wears athletic shoes. Sunscreen is a must, and hats and sun glasses will help protect you and your child from a long day in the sun.

Start and end times. The event starts at 9 a.m. sharp. A special guest will be present for the first lap, so try not to miss it. We also will have a special magic act for everyone to see at 12:30 p.m., so all laps will finish by 12:30.

Volunteer. We need nearly 200 parent volunteers to help on the day of the event. Please see the sign-up sheet in this packet.

Food and drink. Kids will get small Dixie cup size water and snacks on the course, but not enough to supply them with all they need for the day. Please make sure to bring at least one full thermos of water for your child. You can purchase small snacks for you and your children at the event, and you can order lunch in advance. Please see the lunch order form in this packet.

Lap Cards. The day before the event your child will receive a lap card. Your child uses the card at the event to track his or her progress, and we will use the card to hand out prizes and control the timing of entry to the entertainment. After the event, your child uses it to calculate money to be collected from pledges.

Please complete the Registration and Donation Form and return to your child's classroom by Sept. 25. You can choose either to donate now and make payment with your registration on Sept. 25, or collect pledges and pay on October 16, or both! Pledge worksheets are at the end of this packet.

Please click on the Walkathon icon on the front page of the Oak website (<http://www.oakschool.org/>) for more information.

Walkathon Registration and Donation Form

(Return to Classroom by September 25, 2009)

Student name: _____

Teacher: _____

Grade: _____

Permission: My child has my permission to participate in the Oak School Walkathon on October 10, 2009. I will attend and be responsible for my child during the event, including by supervising or preventing if I deem appropriate his/her participation in walkathon theme-related activities, such as walking on low stilts. I understand that photos taken at the walkathon, some of which may include my child, may be shared with others in the Oak School community.

(PARENT SIGNATURE)

<p><i>Donate now.</i> Check a box for the amount you wish to donate now. You may cover your donation by collecting pledges if you wish, but the choice is yours. See enclosed pledge worksheets. If for any reason your child does not participate, he/she will receive the event t-shirt on Monday Oct. 12. Fundraising goal is \$185 per child.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> \$185 <input type="checkbox"/> \$200 <input type="checkbox"/> \$250 <input type="checkbox"/> \$300 <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____ (other) </p>	<p>\$ _____ line 1</p>
<p><i>Collect pledges, pay later.</i> Check a box for the amount you commit to raising through pledges. See enclosed pledge worksheets. Fundraising goal is \$185 per child. Payments due Oct. 16</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> \$185 <input type="checkbox"/> \$200 <input type="checkbox"/> \$250 <input type="checkbox"/> \$300 <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____ (other) </p>	
<p>Non-Student Sibling(s)/Friend(s) ____ (enter number) x \$15 = \$ _____ (receive t-shirt, lap card, eligibility for prizes, and entry to entertainment) </p>	<p>\$ _____ line 2</p>
<p>Total amount DUE AND PAID NOW by check payable to "Oak School PTA":</p>	<p>\$ _____ add lines 1 and 2</p>

Corporate Matching.

My company name and main telephone number: _____

Does corporate matching and I will handle the logistics. Oak PTA Tax ID # 95-6207647. Contact PTA for other info requested by company.

Does (or may do) corporate matching and I would like help in making the request. (The Walkathon Committee will help!)

Lunch!

The Walkathon is a 4 hour event if you stay until the end. You will get hungry! If you would like to buy lunches for your family, please complete the following pre-order form (enter number of each) so we know how much food to order. \$6.00 cash payment per meal will be collected at the event. Bottled water and apple or chips included. First come, first serve basis.

2 slices cheese pizza ____

2 slices pepperoni pizza ____

Chef Chu's chicken salad ____

Volunteer!

Parents and older siblings of junior high age or older can help to set up the walkathon course in the morning, manage the event during the day, or tear down when we're done. If you can help, please tell us your preference:

Volunteer Name	Phone	Email	Setup (7-9 am)	Event (9am-1pm)	Tear down (1-3pm)
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Group Canvassing!

This year we're going to try something new. Please join our first ever group canvass. We'll meet at the school at 10:00 am on Saturday, September 26, get organized, and fan out to go door-to-door in our Oak School neighborhood. Participating students must be accompanied by an adult who will supervise their participation. Our goal is to have fun, build our sense of community, and raise money at the same time.

Yes! I commit to participating in the group canvass starting at 10:00 am on Saturday, September 26.

T-Shirts!

Each participant will receive a keepsake t-shirt at the event. T-shirts will be high quality white cotton "ringers" with blue or red colored rings around the neck and sleeve ends. The full color walkathon logo on the front of this packet will appear centered on the back of the shirt. On the front over the heart area will be the bunny-in-the-hat with magic wand and full color stars. We will have a range of sizes at the event to try to meet your size preference. Half of inventory will have red rings, and half will have blue rings. You can see a ringer t-shirt and learn its fashion history on Wikipedia: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ringer_T-shirt.

Per Lap Pledge Worksheet

Use this form to record pledges of dollars and cents per lap completed.

Do Not Return This Form

(For Student and Parent Use Only)

Student name: _____ Teacher: _____ Grade: _____

Please support Oak Avenue Elementary School, in the Los Altos School District, by pledging your **TAX DEDUCTIBLE** donation. Students typically walk 60-80 laps (100 maximum). Kindergarteners receive a 50 lap credit. First graders receive a 25 lap credit. Participants may earn additional lap credits through extra credit activities at the event. Student will collect payment. Please make checks payable to “Oak School PTA”.

Sponsor Name	Per Lap Pledge Amount	Number of laps completed (Fill after event)	Total amount owed by sponsor
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