



# Jog-A-Thon Quick Guide for 2025

## “Westerly’s: Field Day Run!”

### ***Get Moving, Give Back!***

*The Westerly School Jog-A-Thon is new for this year. It will be held during our beloved field day with participation opportunities for all students. This event is all about celebrating movement, wellness, and community spirit while supporting our school. We are using **PledgeStar**, a simple and secure online fundraising tool that makes it easy to invite family and friends to support your student with pledges. It takes just a few minutes to set up—and families who use it often raise **twice as much!***

*Whether students are walking, jogging, or sprinting, every lap completed and every pledge raised helps fuel Westerly’s mission. Let’s make our very first Jog-A-Thon a day to remember!*

### ***Save the Date: Monday, June 9th (during Field Day!)***

*Help us reach our goal of **\$25,000** for the Westerly Annual Fund!*

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## **Register & Fundraise in Minutes**

To **Register**, using your computer or phone's browser:

1. Go to: <https://westerlyjog.pledgestar.com/Welcome.html>
2. Click **“Not Registered For This Year’s Event”**
3. Enter your name (not your child’s) and email address, then click “Submit”
4. Follow the instructions to register your student(s) and invite family and friends to support them!

*Once registered, PledgeStar will send out pledge requests and collect secure credit card donations online. You’ll be notified each time a pledge is made, and you can track your student’s progress right from your account.*

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## **Jog-A-Thon FAQs**

### **? What is the Jog-A-Thon?**

*The Jog-A-Thon is a joyful and energetic fundraiser where students complete as many laps as they can around the blacktop during Field Day. It’s an exciting way to combine healthy movement with the spirit of giving—all in support of Westerly.*



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### ? **How do students participate?**

Students register online and ask for pledges from friends and family. Supporters can pledge a flat amount or donate per lap completed.

### ? **Where do the funds go?**

All donations support the **Westerly Annual Fund**, which strengthens academic programs, supports our amazing faculty, and enhances classroom experiences for every student.

### ? **What Is Field Day?**

Field day is an all-day activity for students and staff. Students are on teams made up of all grades. They participate in sports and outdoor activities to gain points.

### ? **Do parents attend field day?**

Parents do not attend but definitely play an important role in making sure kiddos come to school in their team color, wear plenty of sunscreen and have lots of water. And a hat!

### ? **How are laps recorded?**

Students are issued a lanyard that corresponds with their respective field day colors. A runner's card will be attached to the lanyard and the laps will be recorded each time they complete a lap. The laps will be tallied up for their field day points and also used if they are fundraising.

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## Registration & Donations

### ? **How do I register my student?**

Visit [PledgeStar](#) to create a fundraising page and start inviting supporters!

### ? **How can people donate?**

Donors can choose a flat donation or pledge per lap. All donations go through your student's personalized fundraising page.

### ? **Can I share my child's page on social media?**

Yes! Sharing on social media is encouraged. The more visibility, the more support!

### ? **Are donations tax-deductible?**

Yes! Westerly School is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit. Donors will receive a receipt upon donating.

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## Prizes & Participation



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### ? **Are there prizes?**

*Yes! We'll be announcing fun prizes for top fundraisers, most laps, and other creative categories—stay tuned!*

### ? **Do I have to raise money to participate?**

*No! All students are part of Field Day and will automatically join in the Jog-A-Thon fun, regardless of fundraising. It's all about community and school spirit!*