

Westbrook School Walkathon

Thursday, September 28th, 2023

Welcome back to School! We hope you all had a fantastic summer. With the beginning of the school year also starts the planning for our annual Westbrook School Walk A Thon. We cannot express our gratitude enough for the continued support from Westbrook School Staff, Parents, Kids and Surrounding Community Members. Without your support this vital fundraiser would not happen.

With that being said, the day does require a substantial number of volunteers. If you could please review the attached volunteer form and return it to the school or email prior to Sept. 18th, 2023, that would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please email us at westbrookwalkathon@gmail.com

Please note that we will once again be offering Mom's Pantry as an alternative to the Walk A Thon fundraising efforts. We find this gives our donors an option when supporting Westbrook School.

As a combined fundraiser, all funds raised are utilized in almost all aspects of each child's experience at Westbrook. Some examples are:

Sports

Funds contributed have paid for a portion of the ski program, camp, swimming lessons, Alien Inline Skating and updating gym supplies such as track and field equipment and mats.

Fine Arts

Walkathon has created opportunities like our Schools attendance at Theatre Calgary's yearly productions. Bringing to our school One World Drumming, Clay for Kids.

Classroom Resources

Funds are allocated to field trips for all classrooms along with classroom supplies.

Thank you for your continued support with this event!

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Walkathon Details

Pledge Forms

Please find the forms attached to this package. Collect as many pledges as possible from friends, family and neighbors. Our goal is bigger than the last! Last year's walkathon raised just under **\$20,000.00!** All pledge forms must be turned in **in the morning of the event** to be photocopied and will be returned, so the pledge money can be collected. **Please ensure that all pledges are collected and returned to the school by Oct. 13, 2023**

Walkathon Day

Kids will come to school as usual and meet in their classrooms. Attendance will be taken. (Please let the school know if your child is unable to participate prior to 8:30 that morning.) All volunteers will gather for any last-minute instruction as well as pick up any supplies. Students and staff gather in the gym for an assembly reminding them of their responsibilities and reviewing safety protocols and route details.

Along the route are clearly marked check stops manned by volunteers to ensure children's safety. Students will receive a check stop marker (TBD) at each stop along the route. Younger groups of children are assigned a walking volunteer to stay with and encourage them along the way. Other walking volunteers will keep the pace of the older students.

Check Stop 4 – The Turnaround

Check Stop 4 will be the turnaround point for all grades, with the exception of kindergarten. This check stop will offer students a nutritious snack, water, and porta potties.

The Finish Line

All students finish the walk back at Westbrook School. Here, students will check-in at the front of the school and can celebrate the completion with the support of fellow students, staff and volunteers. Walkers will be routed to the back of the school for lunch, announcements and free play.

Safety

As always, our children's safety is our primary concern. We enlist the aid of our community papers and radio stations to inform the public of our event. Local RCMP and Alberta Fish and Wildlife are also involved in insuring student and volunteer safety. Bike riders and other volunteers maintain a close eye on all participants along the route as well as keeping in touch with the coordinators and sweep vehicles throughout. As you can see, this event is not possible without you!

Rewards

A portion of the funds raised will be returned in the way of prize incentives. The top earners in each class as well as the three highest earners in the school will be recognized. The highest earning class will be recognized and will indulge (usually in the form of an ice cream treat). All students and their fundraising efforts are celebrated!

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IMPORTANT NOTES

1. All volunteers must have a valid criminal record check and/or current Annual Declaration Form - Volunteers. Please see volunteer package for form.
2. Parents bringing younger siblings on the walk are responsible for stroller transportation and **cannot be volunteers**. Please note here if sibling(s) will be attending.
3. No pets are permitted at the school or along the route.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Food Donations

If you are supplying an item in this category, a table will be set up at the main entrance of the school the morning of for your donation. The following items are required:

Checkstop/Drivers (18- 20 volunteers)

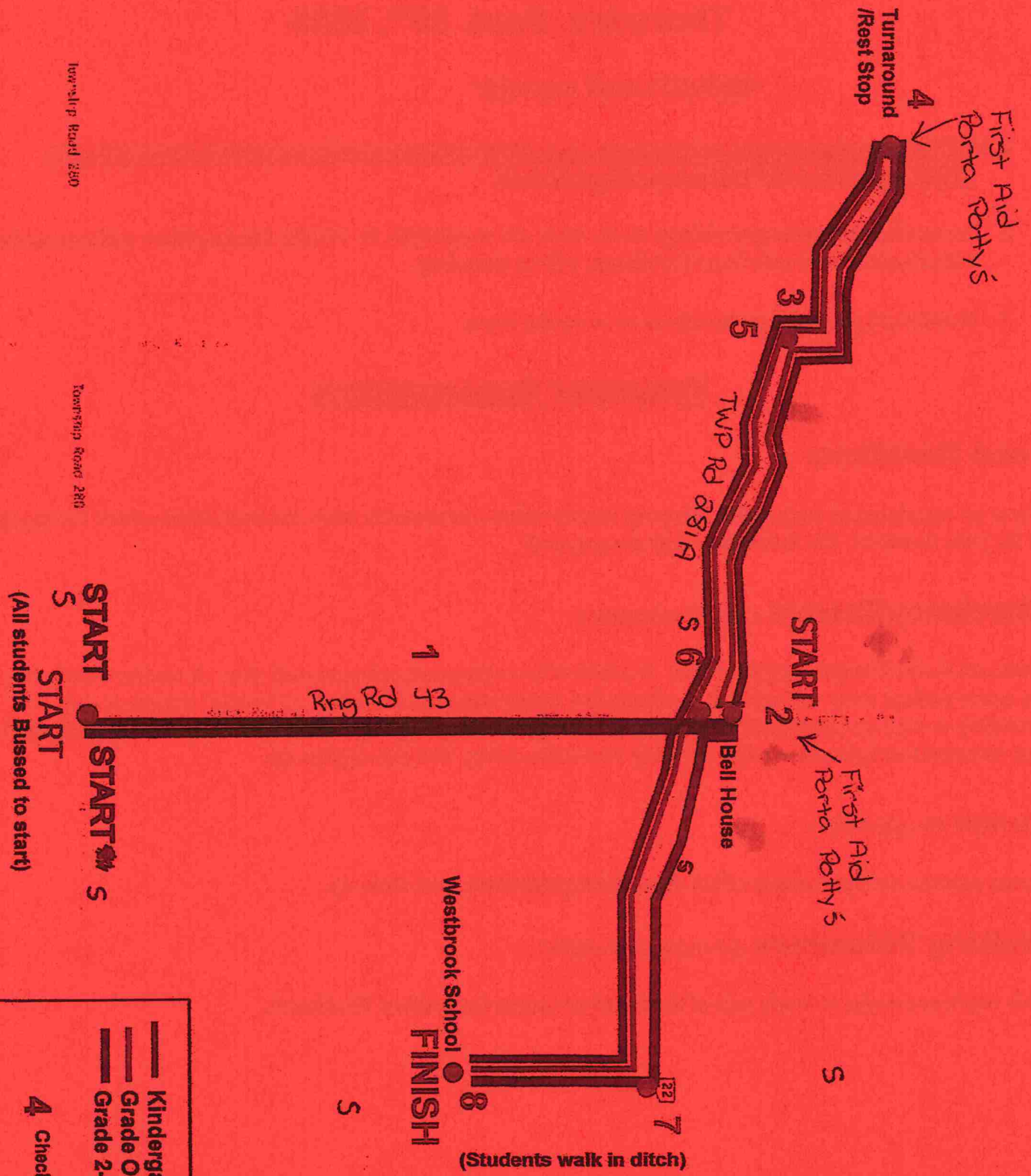
There are 8 check stops along the route. It is best if two volunteers can man each stop. A teacher who knows the entire student body will assist at the finish line where attendance is taken. A “sweep” vehicle is also necessary to pick up any injured or exhausted participants along the way. The Check-Stop Coordinator will be sure to travel throughout the route regularly with extra water, first aid supplies etc.

Lunch (6 volunteers)

Lunch requires set up, cooking of hot dogs, drink preparation, and clean up.

Walking Volunteers (as many as possible)

This requires a smile, a comfy pair of shoes and of course the spirit of Westbrook.



	Kindergarten (5.5 km)
	Grade One (9 Km)
	Grade 2-8 (11.5 Km)
	Checkpoint number

START 5
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 (All students Bussed to start)

1
 Rng Rd 43

Westbrook School
 FINISH 8

(Students walk in ditch)

START 2
 First Aid
 Porta Potty's

5

Turnaround / Rest Stop
 4
 First Aid
 Porta Potty's

3
 5
 TWP Rd 88/19

5
 6

Bell House

5

7
 22

Township Road 280

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Volunteer Form (Please return one form per family)

Student: _____ Grade: _____ Teacher: _____

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Parent name(s): _____ Phone: _____

I Will Volunteer to...(Needed)

Walk Check Stop Lunch Set up Bike Sweep Vehicle

I would like to donate (Needed)

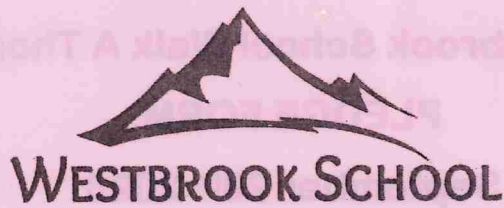
1 Cut Watermelon Fruit Tray Vegi Tray

1 Loaf 1 dozen cookies/ Muffins

Please return this form to the school by Monday, Sept. 18th2023

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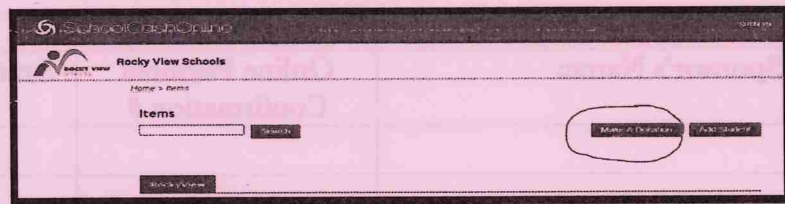
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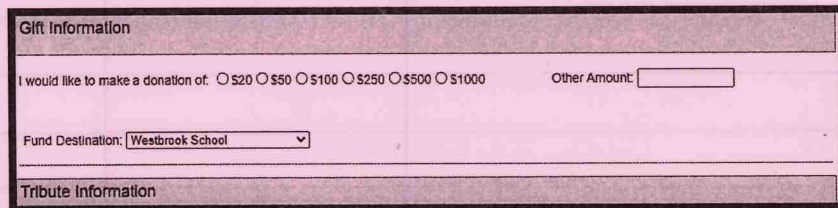
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Make a Donation

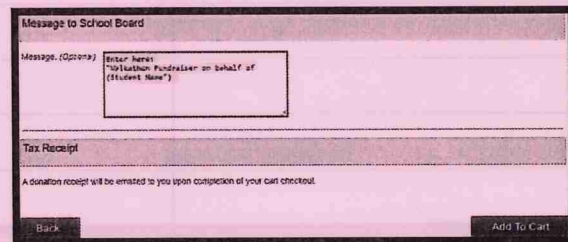


Fund Destination:
(REQUIRED) Choose
"Westbrook School"
from drop down menu



Tribute Information:
(Not applicable)

Message to School Board:
(REQUIRED)
PLEASE ENTER IN MESSAGE BOX:
"Walkathon Fundraiser on behalf of
(Student Name)"



If you do not enter in the message box, funds will not be counted towards that student/class total.

Add To Cart A donation receipt will be emailed to you upon completion of your cart checkout.

Thank you for supporting Westbrook School!