

GACC 3rd Annual Jay Run Pledge Packet



2024

Dear Parents,

This year, we are holding our third annual Jay Run at Neligh Park on Wednesday, October 2nd. This will be a fun-filled event for our K-12 students. The schedule is enclosed, which includes the times the students will head to the park to either run or walk laps. Parents, you are invited to watch the event if you can.

We also use this event as a fundraiser to support ongoing maintenance for the activity center and our fields. We are asking students to participate in a pledge drive to raise funds. The enclosed packet includes instructions on registering students for the fundraiser and the different options our friends and family may contribute. It is a simple process and allows you to request contributions using prospective donors' email addresses. Once you enter their email and hit submit, they will receive a digital flier asking them to make a secure donation using a credit card. The online system keeps track of your pledges and automatically sends the donor a thank you and receipt. In this packet, you will also find a pledge sheet if your student has individuals who prefer to donate using cash or check. More detailed instructions are enclosed. Thank you for helping support our schools!

Schedule

Date: October 2 Where: Neligh Park

Run Times: High School (7th- 12th) 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

 3rd - 6th Grades
 9:15 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.

 K - 2nd Grades
 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

There will be a D.J. and a treat for students provided by SPA.

Parents are welcome to come to the park and cheer on your students!

Guardian Angels Central Catholic Jay Run

For our Jay Run, we are again using a <u>web-based fundraising system</u> that makes it **much easier** for you to request pledges from your family and friends and for them to make secure credit card donations online. It's fun, it's easy, and people who use it typically raise twice as much as those who don't!

Remember, our Jay Run is October 2, so please **register now** to help our school raise as much as possible for the activity center and field maintenance.

Using your computer's browser:

- Go to http://pledgestar.com/gacc
- Click "Not Registered For This Year's Event"
- Enter your name and email address, then click "Submit"
- Follow the instructions on-screen to register Jogger(s) and add family and friends

Using your Android or Apple phone or tablet:

- Go to the Apple App Store on IOS or the Amazon App Store on Android and search for "PledgeStar" to download the Family App, or go to https://pledgestar.com/gacc/downloadapp.html
- On the home screen enter your event code: "gacc" to locate your event
- Click "Not Registered For This Year's Event"
- Enter your name and email address, then click "Submit"
- Follow the instructions on-screen to register Jogger(s) and add family and friends

When you finish, the system emails pledge requests to your family and friends and allows them to make secure credit card donations online. You get notified each time a pledge is made, and you can track your pledge progress online.

Call 1-888-598-7510 if you need help.

Important Dates to Remember:

September 6, 2024- Start reaching out to friends and family for pledges.

October 1, 2024 - All online pledges due that will count towards prizes.

October 1, 2024 - Jay Run and any outstanding pledge forms due in the office.

PledgeStar-FAQ:

Q: Do I need to use the paper pledge sheet AND the PledgeStar website?

A: No! We included the paper pledge sheets for families that prefer not to do fundraising using the web-based option or who would like to use both options. If you use PledgeStar, you do not need to record any donations made through PledgeStar on your paper pledge sheet.

Q: I have more than one child at GACC. Do I have to set up more than one donation site on PledgeStar?

A: No! PledgeStar is built to handle multiple children from one family. On the setup page, simply add "Participants" until all of your children are listed. When sharing the same PledgeStar accounts, donations will be divided equally between your children in the same household. For example, if you donate \$200 and have two children, each child will receive credit for \$100. If your children prefer to have separate For pledgeStar accounts, you will need to register with different email addresses per student.

Q: How do I (as a parent) donate to my child's fundraising efforts through PledgeStar?

A: Easy! Just click on the Donate button on your child's PledgeStar fundraising page. Alternatively, list yourself as an email recipient (it can be the same email you used to set up your account) in the "enter friends and family" section. When you send donor request emails, you will get an email like all your other friends and family. Simply click on the link in the email and donate to your child.

Q: Is credit card information secure using this new online system?

A: Yes, all transactions are secure using the PledgeStar website.

Q: I have already donated once through PledgeStar and would like to donate additional money. Why won't the website let me donate again? How can I make an additional donation?

A: PledgeStar does not allow you to donate more than once to reduce the number of duplicate payments made in error. You have two options: 1) send in a check or cash through your student's paper pledge envelope. 2) Send yourself a new PledgeStar request to a new email address.

Q: Who do I contact if I have questions or need extra help?

A: For technical support, contact PledgeStar at 1-888-598-7510. For general questions about the Jay Run, please contact your school office.

Jay Run 2024 Prizes

Elementary Class Prizes

The top 2 earning grades will get to vote and pick from the following:

Grade Level Ice Cream Party

Choose for your School - PJ Day

Crazy Sock Day or Crazy Hat Day

House Prizes

The top earning house will get to vote and pick from one of the following:

House Ice Cream Party

House Breakfast Pizza

House Dress-Down Day

Top Earner Prizes

The top 3 earning students will win the following.

1st - \$100 Visa Gift Card

2nd - \$50 Visa Gift Card

3rd - \$25 Visa Gift Card

Individual Raffle Prizes

For every \$30 collected, students will automatically receive one raffle entry. For every ten requests sent on Pledgestar, students will receive one entry into the raffle.

Free Fan Wear T-Shirt - 5 winners

Fast Food Lunch Out with Principal and Friend- 4 winners (two K-6 & two 7-12)

GACC custom Owala Water Bottle -3 winners

Classroom Pizza Party - 1 winner (Elementary Only)

Principal Parking for the month of October- 1 winner (High School Only)

Big Ticket Entry

Note there will be 2 winners K-12 for the big ticket prizes

Any student who earns \$60 or more will be entered to win 1 of 2 prizes.

iPad - 1 winner

Wireless Headphones - 1 winner

Any student who collects \$1000 or more earns a GACC Hoodie that can be worn at school only on the last Wednesday of the month.

^{**}Grade levels with 80% or more Pledgestar Participation Teacher/Dean earns a \$ 25

Visa Gift Card.**

Jay Run Pledge Sheet

Date of Event: October 2, 2024

	Participant's Name:		House:			
	If you choose not to use the online donation option with the Pledgestar program, you may use this pledge sheet instead. Consider using this sheet for family members more comfortable writing a check or giving cash.					
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