



Jog-A-Thon Friday, September 30th 2011



Pledge Form Instructions

September 2011 marks the beginning of pledge collections for our all-school **Jog-A-Thon**. This is the main fundraiser for Mack Elementary for the year. This year, our school theme is 'Live to Serve'. In fulfilling this theme, our children are running together to raise money **for Niños Tres Rios** – Children of the Three Rivers in El Salvador.

Niños Tres Rios provides education and disabilities assistance to approximately 230 children in the indigenous subsistence communities in El Salvador and our children will be raising money to help other children that are not as blessed to have the education and tools that we do. In addition to this, each classroom will have a village that they will be sponsoring.

There are many ways to request pledges from family, friends, neighbors, coaches and other special people involved in your child's life. Please assist your child in **safely** requesting pledges.

2 Types of Pledges

<p>Pledge per lap</p> <p>The final pledge amount is based on the number of laps the child completes. Remember that the length of time for running/walking depends on the child's grade level, so the average number of laps completed will range from 15-30.</p>	<p>Fixed Pledge</p> <p>The donation is a one-time amount and will not change based on the number of laps completed. The fixed pledge amount can be collected at the time it is pledged to save you effort in collecting the money after the Jog-A-Thon.</p>
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Both types of pledges listed above are eligible for matching donations from many companies in our area. The person who is making the donation will need to complete their employer's matching donation form and most are very simple to complete and available online or through their human resource department. Please ask donors to complete the request in a timely manner so they can maximize their donation to Bellevue Christian School by doubling their personal donation. You may distribute a copy of the attached letter to encourage the process. More copies are available in the office.

Matching Gift Program

PLEDGE FORMS due to classroom teacher by Wednesday, September 28th.

After the Jog-A-Thon, your student will receive a printout of their pledges indicating the amount they need to collect from each donor. **Please return collected pledge money to the classroom teacher by Tuesday, October 11th.** One check is preferred, but can certainly collect several checks payable to Bellevue Christian School (BCS). Donations eligible for Matching Gifts from corporations must be payable to BCS. Distribute donation receipts as needed. Someone making a donation over \$250 will receive a tax receipt from the BCS district office.

THANK YOU for helping your child successfully prepare for the 2011 Jog-A-Thon. Lace up your jogging shoes and meet us on the field on September 30th for a fun-filled day.