

MARATHON FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. How can I participate in the Marathon if I am going to be out of town?

A. Easy! Go ahead and get your pledges from sponsors and then walk and/or bike six or more miles wherever you are! Keep the Calvin spirit alive even on vacation!

Q. When should I start looking for sponsors?

A. The minute you get your Marathon information packet.

Q. Who should I ask to sponsor me?

A. Family, friends and neighbors would be a great place to start. And of course, a student may sponsor his/her sibling, but may not sponsor other CCS students. There is a letter you can personalize to send for support too.

Q. Can any amount of money be considered a pledge?

A. There is a minimum pledge of \$1.00. There is no maximum.

Q. Can my brothers, sisters and I use the same pledge form or Marathon envelope?

A. No. Each student must use a separate pledge form. The family can combine all pledge forms and pledges PER campus in one envelope. Please keep separate envelopes PER campus.

Q. Can I skateboard or rollerblade the Marathon route?

A. No, only biking, jogging, or walking is allowed.

Q. Can my entire family go on the Marathon with me?

A. Yes! We would love to see the entire family joining in the fun!

Q. Do I have to start on the Marathon route right at 8:00 am?

A. No. You can start at a convenient time for your family. However, we do encourage participants to begin before noon in order to complete the route.

Q. Will I have to stop at any checkpoints along the way?

A. No, However, we would encourage you to start at the CCS tent and let us know you are on the route.

Q. What if my tires need air, my seat needs to be adjusted, or a something needs to be tightened? Will there be tools at the Marathon?

A. We hope to have a bike shop providing service to help with minor repairs and services.

Q. When do I actually collect the money from my sponsors? When do I have to turn in my money?

A. You can collect the money immediately after the Marathon is complete. Some sponsors will likely write checks when they first make their pledge. Simply hold onto these payments until you turn in your pledge sheet and envelope. Pledges turned in after the due date will not be eligible for prize drawings.

Q. Are there "Thank You" notes I can use for my sponsors?

A. Yes! They are available on the Calvin website under the Marathon tab.

Q. Can I still obtain pledges after the Marathon? What if people still want to sponsor me?

A. Of course! However, you will have to collect it by the due date or it will not be eligible for prize drawings.