CARNEY 2024 WALKATHON

Dear Parents/Guardians of:	Grade:
Advisory Teacher:	Advisory:

We are excited to announce that our annual Walkathon will take place on **Friday**, **October 18**, **2024**. This year, students will walk from the school, along the Traboulay PoCo Trail, to DeBoville Slough, and back—a total of 15 kilometers. The Walkathon is one of our largest fundraising events, and it's also a fantastic way to promote school spirit and physical fitness. Students, staff, and parents come together to make it a memorable day!

Proceeds from the Walkathon help fund a variety of school projects. Some projects that have been funded in the past include the outdoor picnic tables, bleachers, school buses, weight room upgrades, and, most recently, a laser cutter in the library.

Collecting Pledges:

Each student will receive a Walkathon pledge sheet (attached). We encourage students to reach out to family and friends for donations. We are continuing to use the online donation platform, **Chimp**, which is a web-based tool focusing on charitable organizations in Canada and simplifies the donation process.

To donate online, please visit our website: <u>acrss.org</u>. Share the link with your family and friends! Donations of \$25 or more will automatically receive a tax receipt. Be sure to include the student's name when making the donation.

We prefer online donations as they are easier to track, but **cash and cheque donations** are also accepted. Tax receipts for cash/cheque donations of \$25 or more will be issued if the pledge sheet is completed.

Deadline:

Please submit all pledge forms and collected funds by Thursday, October 24, 2024 to be eligible for the draws.

Individual Student Incentives:

Top Prizes:

- Apple Watch
- \$500.00 Gift Card of your choice
- Apple noise cancelling Airpods
- Free Cafeteria Lunch once a week for the school year
- Annual Cineplex movie membership
- Many other prizes

Donation Amount	Prize	Raffle Draw
\$1-\$75	T-shirt	
\$76-\$150	T-shirt	1 ticket
\$151-\$225	T-shirt	4 tickets
\$225 +	T-shirt	8 tickets

"NEW" Top Grade Level Incentives:

1st Place: McDonalds Hamburger/Cheeseburger & Non-Uniform Day

2nd Place: McDonalds Hamburger/Cheeseburger

3rd Place: Non-Uniform Day

School Prize:

If we meet our goal of \$48,000.00 the whole school will receive a DAY OFF!

It is our hope that all families will support this important fundraiser. Every dollar raised will go directly towards improving school facilities and enriching our students' experiences. Our Walkathon is a great community-building event for our school. Upon their return to the school each student will receive a hot dog and drink. The Walkathon is an early dismissal day with no regular classes. Once students are finished, they are dismissed for the day.

Thank you for your ongoing support and generosity.

Mr. Antonio Sorace

ARCHBISHOP CARNEY REGIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL OFF-SITE ACTIVITY RISK FORM

To the Parent/Guardians of: Grade	∋:
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Advisory Teacher: Advisory:

PROGRAM/ACTIVITY INFORMATION

DESTINATION/ACTIVTY: Walking to and from DeBoville Slough, Port Coquitlam (15km)

DATE: Friday, October 18, 2024 8:15am - 1:00pm (or when finished)

PURPOSE OR EDUCATIONAL GOAL(S): Walkathon, Physical Fitness, Teamwork, Collaboration

METHOD OF TRANSPORTATION: Walking with classmates and teachers

LEAD TEACHER: Mr. Sorace

TOTAL NO. OF SUPERVISORS PLANNED: All Staff and 12 parent volunteers (at designated stations)

WHAT TO BRING: Students are to dress comfortably and in runners, bring a jacket and a snack that can be carried in a pocket, and a water bottle. WE WILL WALK RAIN OR SHINE. PLEASE DRESS APPROPRIATELY FOR THE WEATHER

RISK MANAGEMENT

The school will make every reasonable effort to ensure or ascertain that:

- The staff, volunteers and/or service providers involved are suitably trained and qualified.
- The students are adequately supervised over all aspects of the program/activity.
- Teacher & Parent volunteers supervise the students while they are on the walk and while they are at school.
- The students will be given a map card to carry. They will have to check in at 7 check points along the walk.
- The route is clearly marked on the card. There will be supervisors at the school, on foot, bikes and vehicles.
- The location(s) used are appropriate and safe for the activity(ies) and group.
- A Safety Plan is in place to identify and manage known potential risks.
- An Emergency Plan is in place to deal with an injury or illness to any of the students.

POTENTIAL KNOWN RISKS

Potential known risks include the following:

- Pedestrian Incident
- Injuries related to trips and falls.
- Students may get blisters on feet.
- Students may encounter conflicts with students from other schools.
- Students may choose not to follow directions and may get lost.

PERMISSION FORM

- Walkathon Day is a <u>regular school day</u>, all students are expected to participate in the walk or be present at school.
- Students who have injuries or disabilities and are unable to participate in the walkathon, are expected to assist at the school on the day of the walk. These students are expected to still get pledges, and a staff member will walk for them.
- Parents who do not agree with their son/daughter participating in the walkathon, are to notify Mr. Sorace by email at asorace@acrss.org
- Parental permission form acknowledging consent and risks has been signed and is on file.