

ALKI-A-THON 2019

FRIDAY, MAY 31st 12:30pm – 2:00pm



Everything You Need to Know About the Most Popular
Day of the Year!

PLEDGE SHEET

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Dear Sponsor,

I am participating in the Alki Elementary PTA Alki-A-Thon. The proceeds will go to Alki PTA to help fund our half-time school counselor, playground/lunchroom supervision, Writers in the Schools residency, teacher discretionary funds, and so much more. You can sponsor me for an amount per lap (name a maximum amount that you are willing to contribute) or make a fixed pledge in support of my participation and my school!

A fast and secure way to make a fixed pledge is through our website:

<https://tinyurl.com/alkiathon2019>

With this link you may pay by credit card, enter the **name**, **grade** and **teacher** of the student(s) you're sponsoring (that's me!) and automatically receive an emailed receipt for your 100% tax deductible donation. **Please consider submitting your receipt to your workplace if company matching is offered to double your donation!** If you would rather donate a fixed pledge by cash or check (made out to Alki PTA) I can collect that now OR for "per-lap" pledges, *after* the Alki-a-Thon I will return to tell you how many laps I ran/walked and collect your contribution. **Alki PTA is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Tax ID: 91-1387438. Thank you!**

STUDENT: _____ TEACHER: _____ GRADE: _____

NAME OF SPONSOR	PLEDGE PER LAP (i.e. \$1.00)	MAXIMUM PLEDGE	FLAT PLEDGE	FORM OF PAYMENT (ONLINE, CASH, CHECK)	TOTAL COLLECTED
1					
2					
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****FOR THE FOURTH YEAR: Please consider supporting one or more of the schools in our West Seattle Community by writing a check directly to their organization listed below and turning it in with your Alki-A-Thon Pledges. Thank you in advance for your support of ALL students!****

Highland Park Elementary PTA (Tax ID: 91-1117900) // Sanislo Elementary PTA (Tax ID: 91-1312727) // Concord International Elementary PTA (Tax ID: 91-1592453) // West Seattle Elementary School (Tax ID: 91-60001541) // Friends of Roxhill

Questions? Call/text: 206.229.6273 (Johanna) or email: alkiathon@gmail.com

Pledge sheets and pledges due Friday, June 7th to the PTA Mailbox

Dear Alki Families,

Our favorite day of the year is just a few weeks away, the Alki-A-Thon! We want to give you a few details about the day, so you know what to expect.

What is the Alki-A-Thon?

It is Alki PTA's second-largest fund-raising event (after the auction) and is a run/walk-a-thon. We set up a course around the Alki playfield and the students run, walk, skip, or dance around the course as many times as they can, earning pledges for each lap (or a flat pledge for the effort!) The event is held during the regular school day (Friday, May 31st) from 12:30 – 2:00PM. Students go back to their classes after the event for regular dismissal. Students are not required to participate.

Volunteers needed!

We can't make this event happen without a lot of volunteer support: setting up the course, donating and cutting up oranges, helping the teachers get the students ready, helping to tally laps, etc. You can volunteer for 30 minutes or for the whole day – it's up to you! But we can guarantee that you will have fun and connect with your Alki community. To sign up, please go to: <https://www.tinyurl.com/VolunteerAlkiAThon19> or email our volunteer coordinator: Julie Madden at motneddam@msn.com. If you can't volunteer, you can still come and cheer on your student, listen to music, and be a part of the best day of the year!

Here is the schedule for each grade's participation:

GRADE LEVEL SCHEDULE & SHIRT COLOR	
12:30 – 2:00 PM // 5th Grade (Purple)	12:45 – 2:00 PM // 2nd Grade (Yellow)
12:35 – 2:00 PM // 4th Grade (Blue)	12:50 – 2:00 PM // 1st Grade (Orange)
12:40 – 2:00 PM // 3rd Grade (Green)	12:55 – 2:00 PM // Kindergarten (Red)

Donating to West Seattle Partner Schools

For a 4th year, in support of ALL students, the Alki PTA is providing the opportunity for families to do a "direct give" to other schools in our West Seattle Community. In addition to your Alki PTA donation, families can choose to donate to **Highland Park, Roxhill, Sanislo, Concord and/or West Seattle Elementary schools**. Last year Alki families donated almost \$2,000 as part of this campaign. If you would like to participate, please write a check directly to the school(s) of your choice and turn it in with your pledge packet after the Alki-A-Thon. The PTA will collect and deliver the checks to the partner schools. Thank you for considering this opportunity.

Thank you for supporting our school!

Sincerely,

Johanna Wrenholt

Alki-A-Thon Chair

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Every dollar counts!

**IF EVERY ALKI STUDENT RAISES \$65
WE WILL REACH OUR GOAL of \$25,000!**

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1. **SIGN UP TO PLEDGE ONLINE** Fixed pledges can be made by credit card quickly and securely by visiting <https://tinyurl.com/alkiathon2019>. Donors enter their information and their pledge amount, the **NAME, TEACHER and GRADE of the student(s) they are sponsoring** and receive an emailed receipt. Please note: donors cannot “pledge per lap” online, flat pledges only. Please track ALL your donors/pledges on the form provided as there will not be a way to view individual pledge totals via the website. Pledges may also be made via cash or check made out to Alki PTA (checks preferred over cash.)
2. **PAPER PLEDGE FORM** Using the paper pledge form, each sponsor making a pledge should write their own name, pledge per lap, (and maximum pledge) OR a flat pledge, and their method of payment so students can keep a record of all sponsors and pledges collected on their behalf (even those made online.) For cash/check donations, students may collect the pledges in advance but must keep the payments until all are collected and ready to be turned in.
3. **COMPANY MATCHING** Please encourage your donors to inquire if they have company matching through their employer and to submit their Alki-a-Thon receipt to their workplace to double their donation! Please note: participants may not ask for pledges from any Alki Elementary or Alki Community Center Staff.
4. **DONATING TO WEST SEATTLE SCHOOLS** If you would like to participate, please write a separate check directly to the school(s) you wish to support and Alki PTA will happily deliver the donations to their school representative.
5. **DAY OF ALKI-A-THON** On the day of the Alki-a-Thon, each class will walk, run and/or jog for a specified time period on the Alki playfield. Each lap is approximately 1/6 mile. Volunteers will track each lap by marking the back of the students’ t-shirts in a designated “race bib” area. After the Alki-A-Thon, volunteers will be tallying the laps completed for the individual and class totals. Use your student’s t-shirt to determine their total number of laps to calculate pledges.
6. **UPON COMPLETION OF THE ALKI-A-THON** Students will bring home their results for outstanding pledge collection. Please return pledge sheets and donations to school by **Friday, June 7th to be counted toward individual and classroom awards**. All donations must be received by the last day of school, Friday, June 27th.
7. **REMINDERS** Walking, running or jogging will be allowed. Participants are encouraged to wear tennis shoes, hats and sunscreen if it’s sunny or rain gear if it’s rainy. Participation is not required and rest areas will be provided for those needing a rest or for those who aren’t participating. Additionally, a first aid station, water station and field monitors will be on-site for the safety of our students.

FUN STUFF!!!

All students receive an event t-shirt and necklace chain with 1 “foot” per every six laps completed (If you have your necklace and foot charms from previous Alki-a-Thons – please wear it on the big day!)

After all pledge packets are returned by **Friday June 7th** there will be an awards assembly the following week announcing the classrooms with “Most Spirit,” “Most Pledge Participation” and “Most Laps” for grade level and individual runners. Together, let’s make this the most fun Alki-A-Thon yet!

Alki-A-Thon day has a long-standing tradition of also being “**Crazy Hair Day**” Feel free to braid, paint, curl, and spike your locks into fun and freaky fashions to help get in the spirit to run, walk and skip for Alki!

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