

# Amy Imai Walkathon!

## 2022 Final Reminders and Info Sheet

We are super excited for our walkathon tomorrow. Please review these details before coming to ensure a smooth day!

**Where:** All registered walkers must check in at MUR first!

**When:** Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022

- **K/ 1<sup>st</sup> Grades:**
  - Field opens at 9:30 AM for our youngest walkers only.
  - Check in will open just before 9:30 at the MUR
- **2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grades:** Start time 10:15 AM
  - Check in 10:00 or after at the MUR.

Added info such as the **event map** is on the 'Walkathon' tab at [www.imaipta.org](http://www.imaipta.org).

### What are the COVID safety guidelines?

To keep us as safe as possible, **we will be following the latest MVWSD guidelines. Outdoor masking is optional, however we do highly recommend masks for safety, with over 300 children participating.**

### *Very Important Safety Guidelines*

- **A parent or legal guardian must check in their child and be present on campus during the walkathon; this is NOT a drop-off event. Children cannot attend on their own, nor can an older sibling watch your child. This is primarily in the event that your child needs medical attention.**
- Please establish a meeting point where your child can find you throughout the day and show them where to go if they are lost.
- Walkers must walk unless mobility issues apply. i.e. no scooters, bikes etc. to keep the course in good condition.
- There will be a First Aid station located by the DJ s. The First Aid table will have a parent nurse or physician volunteers.
- Please bring a hat, sunscreen, comfortable shoes, extra socks, a raincoat and layers of clothing. **We are expecting rain. The event is on, rain or shine.**
- Make sure you encourage your children to take breaks during the day to prevent dehydration and fatigue. While we do have incentives for laps walked, it is **not** a

competition and there is no minimum lap requirement. Please have your child only do what's best for them.

- **PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN FILLED WATER BOTTLE.** There is no drinking at the on-campus fountains but the fountains' **water bottle refill areas (near the restrooms) are operational.**
- No Pets. Humans only for this event please! :)
- Walking on the course is ONE WAY, counterclockwise. Only enter and exit the field at the designated areas.
- No eating is allowed on the course.
- There will be a Lost and Found area / Lost Kid area next to the DJ.

## ***General Reminders***

### Where do parents sit?

You may sit on the grassy area within the inner area of the lap course, however due to the rain, you may choose to be under covered areas instead.

### What are the food / drink options?

- Drinks and pre-packaged snacks will be available for purchase- **cash only** - small bills preferred. Most items are \$1. Look for the Snack Table under the solar panels.
- We will have 2 food trucks + Kona Ice – between 11 AM – 1PM.. (Cash / Credit card). Keep in mind, for an event of our size, the lines will get very long so consider ordering early.
- You are also welcome to bring your own snacks, lunch or drinks, but please no eating on the course.

### Who can walk on the lap course?

- Only registered walkers (students and non-Imai students) who have a wrist bracelet received at Check in can be on the lap course. Parents are welcome to join their kids; adults don't require a bracelet.
- For safety and crowd size, we kindly ask that **only immediate family members** attend.

### Can you come / leave at anytime?

- You can come anytime after your designated registration time (9:30 AM for K/ 1 and 10:00 AM for 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>) and can leave at anytime. The event ends at 1:30 PM for all grades.

## ***Overview of Lap, Tracking and Incentives***

### How are laps tracked?

- When the student checks in at the MUR, they will receive a wristband, lap card and lanyard, as well as a Ziploc bag which they can use for their incentives. The lap card will have their name on it.
- Every time a lap is completed on the course, a volunteer who will be sitting on the course, will mark it on the card.
- Lap cards must stay in good condition so take care of them and wear them at all times.

- The volunteers will only mark laps if your child:
  - stays on the track,
  - completes a full lap within the track borders and
  - follows the direction of the course
- When certain lap milestones are reached (marked by a symbol on the card), they should go to the Incentive table to get their prize.  
Note: milestone differ by student grade, so not all cards are the same.
- In some cases prizes include a raffle for a week of summer camp, tickets to an activity, or a grand prize such as a chance to win a Fitbit.
- **Important: *When your child is done walking for the day or when you are leaving, you must go to Check – Out (at the MUR) so your laps can be counted towards classroom prizes, recorded for Pledgestar and to help us plan for next time. If you forget to check out, please snap a photo of the lap card and send it to [walkathon@imaipta.org](mailto:walkathon@imaipta.org).***

## ***A Final Note***

This year’s event is meant to build community and bring us back together. With **nearly 80% of students attending, we are thrilled** that our initial goal has been met! However, please keep in mind this is a year one, “soft launch” event. With a small but nimble walkathon committee of just 8 people, and a short timeline of only 7 weeks, we are launching a prototype, so to speak.

A few things we do expect:

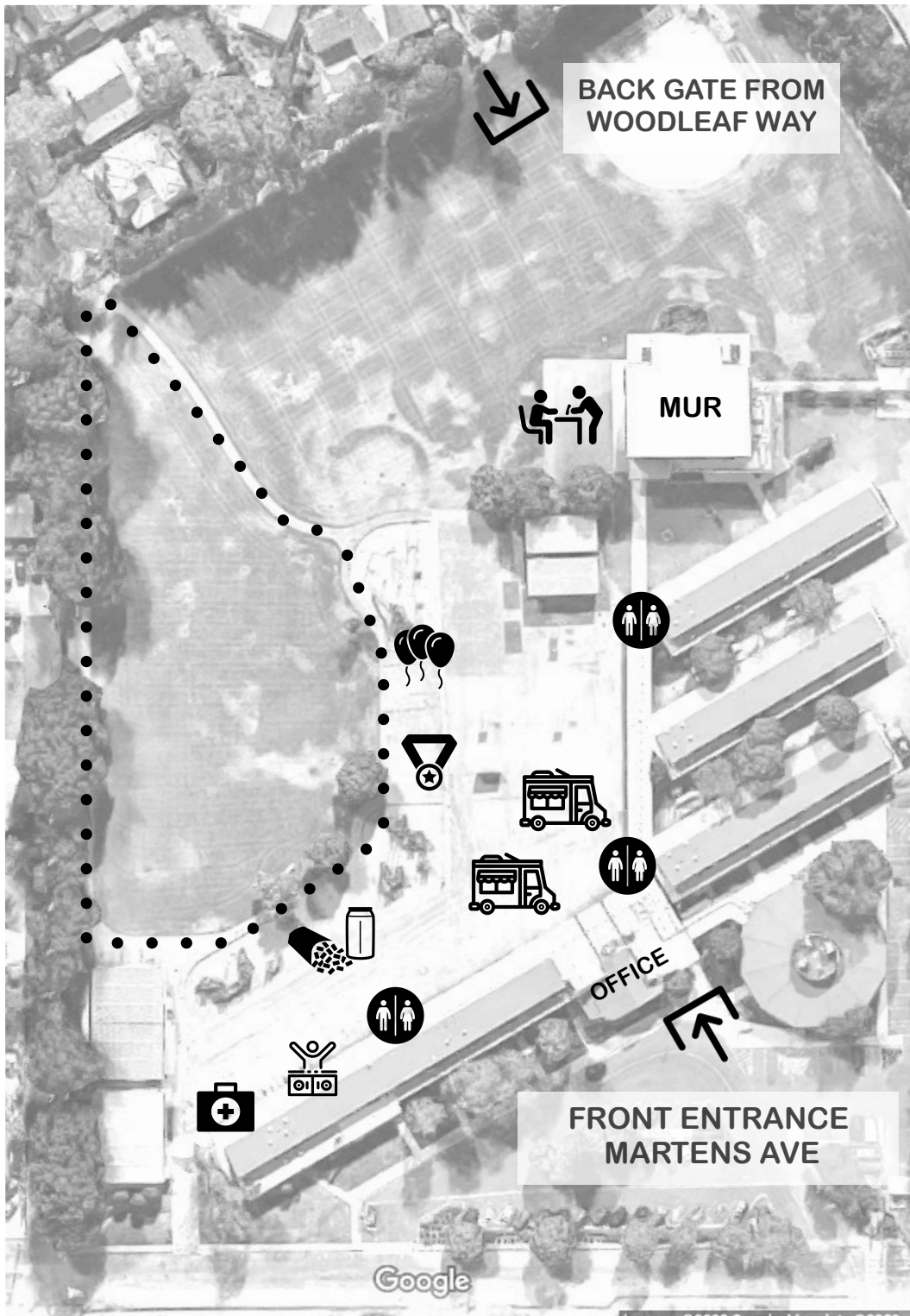
- A fun and exciting, but very crowded (and possibly wet) event
- Lots of happy smiles + the possibility of a few tears and scrapes along the way
- The extension of grace and latitude, especially towards the 70 volunteers who are supporting the event.

This is new for all of us and some mistakes and wins will happen along the way. It is also **our** school community, so the success of our event depends on all of us solving problems as they arise. Lines too long? Ask a volunteer how you can help. Trash can overflowing? Step in to empty it. Bathroom out of toilet paper? Ask a volunteer or teacher where to get more. Hurt child? Help escort them to First Aid.

We look forward to an awesome day with lots of positive role-modeling – showing our kids how to be a great community citizen and demonstrating a growth mindset!

Thank you to all of our Imai families, the Imai PTA, walkathon volunteers, Ms. Siam and staff and especially, the Walkathon Committee for your hard work and support!

# Imai Walkathon Map



**Check-In / Checkout**  
Outside the MUR



**Course Entrance (Balloon Arch)**  
Next to large playground



**Incentive / Prize Tables**  
Under solar panels next to course entrance



**Snack / Beverage Station**  
Under solar panels next to kinder playground



**First Aid / Water Station**  
at Kinder lunch tables



**DJ Stand / Lost Kid Meetup**  
Outside classroom #4



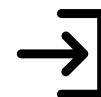
**Restrooms**



**Food Truck Area**



**Walking Route**  
Lynne Lowe Loop - Approx. 0.2 miles per lap



**Preferred Entrances / Exits**  
Front School Entrance and Woodleaf Way  
(Carol Ave. gate area will be very crowded because it's next to our walking course)