



Relay For Life of Marist Youth Frequently Asked Questions

What is Relay For Life?

Relay For Life is an overnight cancer-fighting event to support the American Cancer Society's lifesaving mission in our local community. It will be a lock-in/walk-a-thon where Marist High School Youth students walk and fundraise together in support of those who have been affected by cancer.

When and where is the event?

The Relay For Life event will be held on Saturday, **March 7th** from 9:00 P.M. through Sunday, **March 8th** ending at 6:00 A.M. This event will be held at Marist High School (4200 W. 115th St., Chicago). **DOORS OPEN @ 7:30 P.M.**

How will teams be arranged?

High school students will be forming their own teams and **each team must have a chaperone each shift.**

How many people can be on a team?

Most teams consist of about 10-15 students but may be larger or smaller.

How do I register my team?

Participation is simple; choose a team captain and register. Team captains can register their team at www.relayforlife.org/maristil

What is Bank Day?

Bank Day is on **Wed., March 4th** at Marist High School during the Lunch Mods. Students are **REQUIRED** to turn in all participant forms (Youth Participation Agreement form, High Risk Waiver form, Chaperone form, Arrive Late/Leave Early form [if applicable]). Students can also turn in their forms to the SLO office. This is also an opportunity for students to turn in monetary donations, to ensure a smoother check-in process at Relay For Life. ***If students do not turn in their participation waiver, they will not be allowed to participate in Relay For Life.***

Do we have to fundraise?

All participants at the Relay For Life of Marist Youth must fundraise. The minimum fundraising amount is \$110 per student. All donations go to the American Cancer Society to support their mission of helping people to stay well, get well, find cures and fight back. This is accomplished through prevention/early detection programs, direct patient services, research and advocacy work. There are additional prizes and incentives for participants and teams who go above and beyond the \$110 fundraising minimum.

 **My student can't stay from 9:00pm to 6:00am- what do I do?**

You MUST fill out an **Arrive Late/Leave Early form** for your student that must be turned in on bank day (March 4th) or bring to the SOL office. Without this form, if your student arrives late to the event, they will not be allowed in, nor will they be allowed to exit early. If you are picking up your student, you must present an I.D.

 **Can my family stay for the event?**

Families are welcome to stay for the Opening Ceremony, as well as Luminaria Ceremony. However, after the conclusion of the ceremonies, all non-participants must exit the grounds.

 **What is the Luminaria Ceremony?**

This ceremony is one of the most moving events of the night and will take place at 10:00pm.

* Teams can purchase bags for the Luminaria Ceremony that night for \$10. They can also be purchased ahead of time for the same price online at www.relayforlife.org/maristil

* Each bag can be decorated and should bear the name of someone who has been diagnosed with cancer, either “in honor of” or “in memory of.”

 **What can I expect to happen on the day of the event?**

The day of event schedule include activities that will go on throughout the night to keep students engaged and entertained.

* Live Band | Puppy Rooms | Bull Riding

* Hungry Hippos & 40 ft. Obstacle Course Inflatables

* Hypnotist | Movie Marathon | Board Games & Game Room

 You can also anticipate the following ceremonies:

Opening Ceremony & Survivor Lap starting at 9:00pm

Luminaria Ceremony: immediately following the opening & survivor lap

Closing Ceremony: 5:00am

 **Will food be available?**

Students are allowed to bring their own food, but the food must go through bag check in order to be allowed onto the grounds. There will be an all you can eat food tent featuring Chuck's BBQ that will be available for \$10.00

 **What rules are in place at Relay For Life?**

The same school rules that are in place during the school day should be abided by and adhered to during Relay. School administration will be present throughout the duration of Relay and will be enforcing school rules.

If I have any questions, who can I contact?

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