

Dear Parents,



Thank you for your support of **Walter Hill Elementary** and the investments you make in your children's lives. We are so excited to introduce you to this semester's only major fundraiser, the **Apex Fun Run**! The Apex Fun Run will last for 2 weeks and will kick off with a Pep Rally on Tuesday, March 14th at 1:30 in the gym.

Please look for your child's Pledge Kit that they will receive on that day. We will have emails coming from your teachers. Please feel free to visit www.apexfunrun.com to hear about this interactive program that helps schools all over the country raise money, while promoting leadership and fitness in the classes. This year's character theme is **Apex Legends**, where students will follow Tikes, Seeds, Specs, Jazz, and Wheels through the pages of their legendary adventure to discover JJ Cortez's hidden treasure. Along the way these five friends discover what it truly means to be a Legendary leader:

- o **Learn**
- o **Engage**
- o **Give**
- o **Empower**
- o **Never Quit**
- o **Do**



During the Apex Fun Run, students are challenged to get pledges for the laps they will run on Thursday, March 23rd to help their school. Students will run for 30 minutes and average 26-36 laps, with the maximum amount of laps being 36 (each lap is 1/16th of a mile). Sponsors can pledge \$1, \$2, \$5 or any other amount for each lap students run. All participants will receive an access code that allows you to enter pledges online. Funds raised this year will be going to the school to pay for many of our computer programs we purchase licenses for students (maxscholar, reading plus, brain pop, etc.), new technology needs (new screen for our cafeteria), additional technology needs like new laptops, cloud books, headphones, projectors and bulbs, etc.

The Apex Fun Run is for every student regardless of financial giving. All students will receive Apex bands, race-day lap counters, and team awards. We invite all parents to come to the Apex Fun Run and share in this great event! The times for the Apex Fun Run are as follows:

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| ● Fun Run 1 <u>8:00-9:15am</u> | Grades <u>3rd grade/ Parnell AM</u> |
| ● Fun Run 2 <u>9:15-10:30am</u> | Grades <u>PK Sulligan/Kindergarten</u> |
| ● Fun Run 3 <u>10:30-11:45pm</u> | Grades <u>4th/5th grade</u> |
| ● Fun Run 4 <u>12:00-12:15pm</u> | Grades <u>Parnell PM</u> |
| ● Fun Run 5 <u>12:15-1:45pm</u> | Grades <u>1st/2nd grade</u> |

You can help our school be successful in the following four ways:

- Help connect your child to potential sponsors (family/friends) to acquire pledges.
- Ask your child about the "Legend" character lessons, and download the "Apex Fun Run" App!
- Come to the Apex Fun Run and don't forget to invite others to attend our fun-filled community event on our field.
- Help volunteer for the race! We need a few parents to help cheer on students and mark laps. If you would like to volunteer for your student's race, please contact _____ at _____.

Thank you again for your continued support—we are so excited to begin this journey with you!

Sincerely,

Helen Campbell
principal