

September 24 , 2010

Dear Parents,

Our AH Fall Fundraiser/ Walkathon kick off begins today! We had a terrific Walkathon kickoff celebration in school today and are ready to begin gathering sponsors and getting our children ready to walk!

Attached you will find our AH Walkathon participants packet which includes a prize sheet, a sponsor sheet and a return envelope. We have also included a sample letter that your child may want to send to friends and relatives to solicit their support. *For safety reasons no door-to-door soliciting is allowed.*

Your child will be walking for a total of 30 minutes on Friday October 15th (our rain date is October 25th). We're asking you to help your child acquire sponsors for the Walkathon. Sponsors can pledge an amount per minute (i.e. \$1.00 per minute for a total of 30 minutes would equal a pledge of \$30.00) or sponsors can pledge a flat dollar amount (i.e. \$15.00 for the walk-a-thon, regardless of the number of minutes your child walks). Either way, these dollars add up and may qualify your child for some terrific prizes.

Your child can earn individual prizes based on the number of sponsors he/she is able to register and/or on the total dollars he/she collects for the Walkathon. These prizes are outlined on the prize sheet (one prize per child) and include an Ipod Touch, a bike, gift certificates to local restaurants, etc. Each class can also earn prizes such as a game basket or pick-your-own-theme day. EVERY child will earn a token simply for participating in the Walkathon.

This is our school's major fundraiser, so we encourage every parent and child to participate in this very worthwhile effort. The Walkathon will also promote Morris School District's successful Eat Smart Move More program and encourage our children to live a healthy lifestyle.

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