



Race Information and Frequently Asked Questions

Course and Race Specifics:

1. Packet Pickup – Will take place at the Kenyon Athletic Center (KAC) on Friday (4/20) and Saturday (4/21) between 11AM and 5PM. Race-day pickup at the KAC will open at 7 AM. Friends and relatives are welcome to pickup race packets for runners.
2. Course maps are linked to the race webpage: <http://premieraces.com/EarthDay/raceinfo.html>
3. Aid stations – There will be at least one aid station every two miles starting at mile 2. All aid stations will have water and sports drink and will be staffed with volunteers. Two gel stations will be present on the marathon course after mile 13. This arrangement of gel stations will allow four total opportunities for marathon participants to pick up gels.
4. Bathrooms – There will be one portable toilet every four miles starting at mile four.
5. Course Topography – The course is relatively flat with the exception of a steep hill at mile 0.5 and intermittent rolling hills for the first four miles. The start and finish are at the same location and there is not overall change in elevation.
6. Food will be available to runners immediately following the race inside the KAC.
7. The course is USATF certified and is thus a ‘Boston Qualifier.’
8. Both races will be chip timed (bib mounted chip).
9. Showers and locker rooms available to runners after the race at the Kenyon Athletic Center (KAC).
10. Gear dropoff will be available to all participants. Use your race number for gear dropoff and pickup service.
11. All discount qualifying students (Kenyon, MVNU, and Ohio 5 Schools) need to present a valid student ID at the packet pickup.
12. If space allows, race-day registration will be available but shirts for late registrants are not guaranteed.

13. All races will have the same start on Wilder Track outside the Kenyon Athletic Center (KAC).
14. There will be no official pacers but there will be informal pace corrals designated in the starting area. Corrals will be marked with time per mile (not expected finish time).
15. No strollers allowed on the course.
16. Personal music players are allowed for all participants.
17. The course cutoff for the marathon is 6 hours. Participants may continue unsupported at their own risk. All marathon runners who Duff Street after 11AM will be diverted by course officials to complete the half marathon.
18. There will be no refunds or deferrals of race registrations.
19. Both races are for individual competitors only (no relay teams).

Awards:

1. Every finisher will receive a mug and a tree (no metals...it is the **Earth Day Challenge!**)
2. Top three overall males and females in each race will get a technical water bottle. Top finisher in each age group and in the Athena and Clydesdale divisions will receive a running hat.
3. Awards will be given based on 'clock time' not 'chip time.'

Location, Lodging and Transportation:

1. The race will start and finish on Wilder Track on the campus of Kenyon College. The following web-page has information about getting to Kenyon, lodging and dining:
<http://www.kenyon.edu/x40150.xml>
2. No transportation will be provided from local lodging.
3. Ample parking is available near the start/finish area in parking lots for the Kenyon Athletic Center. Parking map is linked to the race webpage:
<http://premieraces.com/EarthDay/raceinfo.html>

Spectator Information:

1. Good viewing locations
 - a. Wilder Track – Start/Finish
 - b. Caboose on the Kokosing Gap Trail – 4 mile point for both races, 13 and 26 mile points for the full marathon.
 - c. Laymam Road near 5 mile/12 mile for both races
 - d. Mount Vernon Trailhead (must walk about 0.25 first turnaround) mile 8.5 for both races.
 - e. Howard Gap Trail access 17.5/21.5
2. Restrooms for spectators will be available at the Kenyon Athletic Center.
3. Food for spectators will be available for purchase inside the KAC following the race.

Other Questions:

Contact the race director, John Hofferberth, by email at hofferberthj@kenyon.edu.