

of Washoe County



Run for Education Fact Sheet

## Sunday, October 21, 2018, The Outlets at Legends/SCHEELS

10K and 5K Timed Runs, Sparks Marina March, and 1/2 Mile Kids Fun Run

- Purpose A fun, family community event to raise funds for students in the Washoe County School District – this is its 13<sup>th</sup> year.
- Goal \$200,000
- **100% of sponsorship proceeds go back to schools and students** through the Education Alliance is a non-profit 501(c)3 charitable entity, IRS Tax Exempt #94-3177739.
- Audience more than 8,500 attendees.
- Expecting 4,000 runners (3,000 students from 90+ schools).
- An estimated 500 volunteers support the Run.
- Fitness Fair with fun wellness activities for children and families.
- Facts:
  - ° Schools have limited, if any, funds in their budgets for physical education (PE) or fitness activities.
  - <sup>o</sup> Proceeds fund *Kids in Motion* grants to participating elementary schools with at least 20 students participating at the event.
  - <sup>o</sup> Proceeds fund the *Passport Program* which help secondary and post-secondary students succeed academically (i.e. dual credit programs, AP Fees, summer school, online credit recovery).
  - ° To date, proceeds have exceeded \$1.7 million to schools in Washoe County School District.
  - <sup>°</sup> WCSD donates bus transportation for district schools (up to two).
  - <sup>o</sup> Champion medals for to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place finishers in the 10k and 5k Run for both male and female divisions, as well as age divisions. All runners get a t-shirt and students receive a medal.
  - <sup>o</sup> Join these partners who donate funding or in-kind support: Yamana Gold, Washoe Education Association, Scheels, Renown, NV Energy, KTVN Channel 2, TMCC, UNR, Washoe County, ARAMARK, Bonanza Produce, Q&D Construction, Model Dairy, McDonalds, among numerous other supporters.
  - Research supports that not only does exercise fight obesity and improve body function, but it also promotes learning through increased brain function and nourishment, higher energy and concentration levels (ability to pay attention), increased self-esteem and better behavior which may all support cognitive learning.<sup>1</sup>
  - The Run for Education connects families to schools, and bonds school mates as teammates which unify them through the development of new friendships and the promotion of important life lessons such as practice, patience and persistence.

For more information, email <u>Run4Ed@washoeschools.net</u> or call Kendall, Brittani, or Kelli at (775) 353-6950, or Molly Sheridan, Race Director, (775) 470-5826.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cocke, 2002; Tremblay, Inman, & Williams, 2000; Dwyer, Coonan, Leitch, Hetzel, & Baghurst, 1983; Shephard, 1997.