

### **Event Overview**

Welcome to the 2025 Franksgiving Day 5K. We hope you enjoy our first-year event. The following are the final race instructions to prepare you for race day. Please review EVERYTHING carefully.

Should you have any questions, our staff is available to assist you on race day.

Good Luck and Good Racing!

The Run to You Racing Team





### Race Week Activities

#### Schedule of Events - Tuesday, November 11th

 Noon to 7:00pm – PACKET PICKUP – Second Sole in Akron. 1466 N Portage Path, Akron, OH 44313. You can pick up your race bib and shirt. You can also pick up for a friend / family. Just have a list of the bib numbers ready. All runners including Parkrun participants can pick up.

#### Schedule of Events - Thursday, November 13th

 Noon to 7:00pm – PACKET PICKUP – Second Sole in Canton. 4691 Dressler Rd NW, Canton, OH 44718. You can pick up your race bib and shirt. You can also pick up for a friend / family. Just have a list of the bib numbers ready. All runners including Parkrun participants can pick up.

#### Schedule of Events - Saturday, November 15th - RACE DAY

- 7:00am to 8:00am Parkrun ONLY participants packet pickup at Sippo Lake Parkrun
- 7:30am to 9:30am Race Morning Packet Pickup at Centennial Plaza in Downtown Canton. Address is 300 Market Ave N, Canton OH 44702
- 9:25am National Anthem
- 9:30am 5K Start
- 9:46am Expected First Finisher
- 10:35am Expected Last Walker
- 10:35am Awards Ceremony
- 11:00am Wiener Dog Dash



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**EVENT SHIRTS** – You must take the shirt size that you selected during registration. We will have a shirt exchange after the race at our Downtown Canton office on a date to be announced later. Supplies and sizes may vary based on availability.

**BIB NUMBER** –It is IMPORTANT that you wear your bib number on the FRONT of your shirt. We need to see your bib number at various points along the course.

**YOU MAY HAVE A FRIEND PICK UP YOUR BIB AND SHIRT** – We are kindly asking that you keep that number to a minimum. We want to be courteous to those only picking up for themselves.

**PARKRUN PARTICIPANTS** – You can pick up your items at the Tuesday and Thursday locations if you like. Saturday / Race Morning packets for YOU will be at the Sippo Lake Parkrun. If you DON'T think you are going to make it to Parkrun that morning, let us know so we don't send it to Sippo Lake.

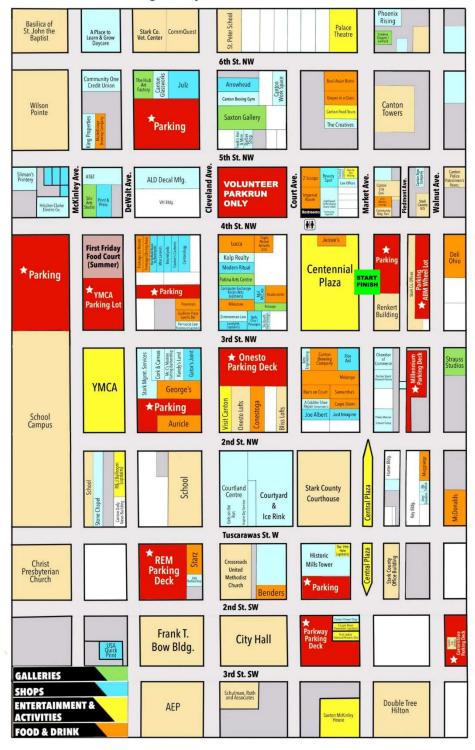
## Race Morning Saturday

Runners, Family Members, and Spectators can park in a variety of places in Downtown Canton. All activities will be at Centennial Plaza. The address is 300 Market Ave N, Canton OH 44702.

**PARKING** - There are several parking decks in the area, surface lots, and street parking. The street parking meters are FREE on the weekends in Downtown Canton. The parking decks may charge a small fee. The **KEY** is to arrive early! Especially if you are not familiar with Downtown Canton. Please familiarize yourself with the below Downtown Map.



### Parking Map - Downtown Canton

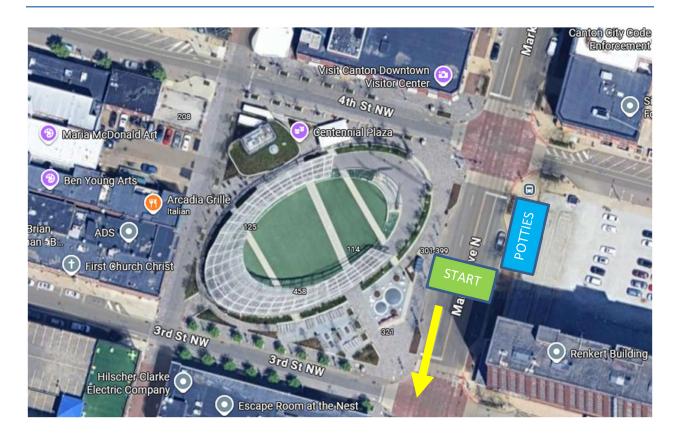




We also HIGHLY recommend that you use Google Maps to plan your trip in advance.

PLEASE ARRIVE TO THE RACE EARLY ON SATURDAY. WE ARE STARTING ON TIME AT 9:30AM. PLAN ON ARRIVING BY 8:30AM TO ENSURE ENOUGH TIME TO PARK, GET YOUR STUFF, AND USE THE PORTA POTTIES! TRAFFIC WILL BE HEAVY INITIALLY. PLEASE BE PATIENT.

#### Centennial Plaza Overview



## Water Stations / Porta Potties

A water station will be located roughly at the 1.6 mile mark. There are no restrooms along the course. We will have plenty of restrooms at the Start / Finish area at Centennial Plaza.



RUNNERS WILL BE ON THESE ROADS BETWEEN THESE TIMES. PARTIAL / FULL CLOSURES WILL OCCUR ROUGHLY 20 MINUTES BEFORE THE FIRST RUNNER ARRIVES.

MARKET AVE N - BETWEEN 4TH ST AND TUSCARAWAS W - 9:30am to 9:35am TUSCARAWAS ST W - BETWEEN MARKET AVE N AND WASHINGTON BLVD NW - 9:31am to 9:48am

MONUMENT RD NW - BETWEEN 12TH ST NW AND 7TH ST NW - 9:38am to 10:10am 7TH ST NW - BETWEEN MONUMENT RD NW AND HIGH AVE NW - 9:40am to 10:20am HIGH AVE NW - BETWEEN 7TH ST NW AND 4TH ST NW - 9:42am to 10:23am 4TH ST NW - BETWEEN HIGH AVE NW AND MARKET AVE N - 9:43am to 10:29am



## Ready Set Go!

The course is a loop course that starts in Downtown Canton, runs down towards Monument Park, and returns back up to Downtown. The start and finish line are in the same spot.

5K Runners – Please line up according to pace. Faster runners in the front, slower runners in the back. \*\* WALKERS \*\* - We welcome walkers BUT we are kindly asking that you only walk 2 or 3 across.





## Tips for First Timers

All runners must wear their race bibs on the FRONT of their shirts and should be visible at all times. The back of your bib has a timing chip. Please do not fold or bend this chip. It is used to track your start time, race progress, and finish time. We will be taking finisher pictures AND THE ONLY WAY we know who you are is if you have your bib on the front. We also will only be giving medals to those wearing race bibs (on the front please!).

Please use proper race etiquette. Move aside for runners who say they are passing and make sure you do not become a hazard. If you need to stop or walk at the water stations, check behind you before you move over to grab your water.

#### Post-Race

You've done it! We will present you with our unique finisher medal as you finish. Please take your finisher water and snacks after you get your medal. Activities will be held at the Finish Line area including music, water, soda or beer, hot dogs, and chips. Awards will be presented for the 5K race at 10:35am.

TEAM COMPETITION – You have either selected a Team or we placed you on a Team. We will take ALL of the runners, average their times by Team, and recognize the Fastest Overall Team. Winning team members will receive an oval sticker. Please make sure to stay to see if your team won.

You can check results at <a href="https://www.cantonruns.com">www.cantonruns.com</a>. PLEASE CHECK YOUR RESULTS BEFORE YOU LEAVE. WE ARE NOT MAILING ANY AWARDS.

## Special Thanks

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