



April 14, 2026

Dear Mother Seton School Families,

Each year, the MSS community comes together for our **Annual Walkathon**, raising funds and awareness for causes that align with our mission of service. Over the years, your generosity has supported a wide range of initiatives, from Amanecer and The Daughters of Charity Build a House project in Bolivia to the **Catocin Pregnancy Center**. Together, we have raised **tens of thousands of dollars** to support those in need, and we are excited to continue this tradition.

This year's Walkathon will take place on Friday, May 1, 2026. After thoughtful consideration, we have chosen to dedicate **all proceeds to supporting a member of the Mother Seton School community who is facing challenging circumstances**. On February 10, Mrs. Glazier welcomed a beautiful baby girl, Della. Since her birth, Della has remained in the NICU at Johns Hopkins and is expected to continue receiving care there for the foreseeable future. Funds raised will help ease the financial burden on the family by covering transportation costs such as gas and parking, meals, and other caregiving expenses not covered by insurance.

We encourage all **MSS students** to participate by gathering pledges for this meaningful cause. To make fundraising easier, we have partnered with **Pledgestar**, an online platform that simplifies the donation process. Enclosed with this letter, you will find important details about **Pledgestar, volunteer opportunities, and Walkathon logistics**. Please take the time to review this information and submit any required forms promptly.

The **Walkathon is a beloved spring tradition at MSS**, and I am grateful for the opportunity to continue this event with your support. Thank you for your generosity and commitment to making a difference in our community.

With gratitude,

Amber Reaver
Physical Education Teacher

Mother Seton School Annual Walkathon

Who: All Mother Seton School Students

What: Annual Walkathon

When: Friday, May 1, 2026, from 8:00–11:30 a.m.

(Rain date: Friday, May 15, 2026)

Where: Mother Seton School Grounds, The Fire Academy, and St. Joseph's Provincial House

Walk Details:

Students will collect pledges to support the event. Donations can be made online via [Pledgestar](#) or collected using a paper pledge sheet (one per family, with the oldest or only child's name at the top).

- **Grades 3-8:** Students will walk a supervised 2.0-mile path as many times as they wish between 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.
- **Grades PreK-2:** Students will complete the path once with their homeroom teachers. A second lap may be an option at the teacher's discretion. Parents may walk with the class but should coordinate with the teacher in advance if they plan to assist.

Volunteers Needed:

We need parent volunteers to help monitor the path and ensure student safety. Sign up here: [Volunteer Signup \(https://bit.ly/walkathonhelp2026\)](https://bit.ly/walkathonhelp2026)

Important Reminders:

- **Running is not permitted.**
- Students must walk respectfully and refrain from touching anything along the path
- **No bags** of any kind are allowed on the path
- Students must wear their **P.E. uniform and appropriate sneakers.**
- Hats are optional, and sunscreen is highly recommended (must be applied before arriving at school)
- **Hydration stations** will be available, so water bottles are not required
- **Pledge money is due by Friday, May 8, 2026**

Why We Walk:

The Walkathon is a cherished tradition that embodies our students' Christian spirit of giving while promoting health and fitness. Proceeds from this year's event will support a Mother Seton School community member and her family.





Walk-a-Thon Fundraising Made Easy!

This year, we're excited to use a user-friendly, web-based fundraising platform for our **Walk-a-Thon**—making it easier than ever to request pledges from family and friends! With **secure online donations by credit card**, this system is not only convenient but also **helps participants raise twice as much on average** compared to traditional methods.

Our **Walk-a-Thon is on May 1st, 2026**, so don't wait—register today and help us make a big impact in our local community!

Here's how to get started:

1. Visit <https://pledgestar.com/seton> or scan the QR code below.
2. Click **“Not Registered For This Year's Event.”**
3. Enter your name and email address, then click **“Submit.”**
4. Follow the on-screen instructions to register your student(s).

Once you've registered, the system will email pledge requests to your selected contacts. You'll receive notifications when pledges come in and can easily track your progress online.

Need help? Call **1-888-598-7510** for assistance.

Thank you for supporting our school and this year's Walk-a-Thon!

