



2022 Christie Clinic 5K—Within the Loop

Friday, April 29, 2022

Illinois Race Weekend will include two different events on Friday evening this year. The first of those will be the Green Street Mile, which will start on First Street just south of Green and go south to the finish line near St. Mary's Road. The race will start at 6:00 pm. To allow time for the starting line to be set up, the one block of First between Green and John will close starting at 4:30 pm. The rest of the mile long route will close at 5:30 pm. Traffic should be able to exit the area by going north or south parallel to the route and then exiting away from course.

The Christie Clinic Illinois 5K will use the same route as has been used for the last few years prior to the pandemic. The 5K will start on Oak Street south of St. Mary's Rd and proceed north on Oak to Gregory. Runners will turn right on Gregory and then turn left (north) on First. They will proceed through the campus, running in a clockwise pattern using First, Green, Sixth, and Gregory streets before turn south on First Street and heading back to the Stadium.

To ensure a safe event for the approximately 4,000 runners expected to participate, the route will be closed at 7:00 p.m. This will allow the course to be cleared of traffic and checked prior to the scheduled 7:30 p.m. start time. The map that follows shows the area of impact and key information on certain streets/areas. As runners clear each section of the course, those streets will be reopened for traffic.

For the area within the enclosed loop (shown in Blue), vehicular traffic will not be allowed exit this area between 7:00 PM and approximately 8:15 PM. The first intersection to open will be First and Armory. Once that intersection is open, traffic may leave the area by going west on Armory to Oak Street and then south out of the area.

Intersections will be staffed by law enforcement and/or course team volunteers. They are there to provide security to the runners. We ask that you follow their directions. All volunteers and police officers will have traffic vests on. Some intersections may be blocked with traffic cones or barricades as well.

We anticipate that runners will be cleared of all streets by approximately 9:00 p.m.

To ensure public safety for those inside the loop, emergency services (fire, police, and ambulances) will be placed within those streets.

Following the race, spectators and participants are invited to attend the 4th Mile Street Fest, taking place on Kirby Ave between First and Fourth Streets.

