

Walk, Run & Roll with Team Noah

Our Mission

Every person has the right to fully participate in life's events, inclusively.

Our Vision

Count Us In!



Our Values

Respect – Grit – Determined
Kindness – Friendship
Joy – Active

In partnership with the Christie Clinic Illinois Race Weekend 5K event, come be part of the WALK, RUN & ROLL with Team Noah and experience the thrill and excitement of an athletic event. Join in the fun by either walking, running, or rolling your wheelchair to cross the finish line at Gies Memorial Stadium on the campus of the University of Illinois and see yourself on the jumbo screen.

Date: Friday, April 23, 2027

Event Time: 7:30 PM

Course Length: For *Team Noah participants only* - choose 1 mile or 3.2 miles (5K) course

Eligibility: Team Noah is open to any individual with a disability and their support person, as well as Veterans.

Fee: Team Noah covers the registration fee for each participant and their support person. Team Noah is funded by Licia and Greg Lukach, parents of Noah.

Team Noah Contact:

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Noah's Legacy

Team Noah was created in the summer of 2010 when his Mom, Licia, began running with her son, Noah, who was multiply impaired. Although Noah had many physical limitations, he exuded joy and happiness. This summer hobby quickly turned into a family event and each family member had their turn pushing Noah in many 5Ks over the last decade. Noah completed the Christie Clinic Illinois 5K nine times, and he absolutely loved this event! He enjoyed hearing people cheering and crossing the finish line.

Sadly, Noah passed away in March of 2020 due to a respiratory illness. To honor Noah's memory, his family has teamed up with the Christie Clinic Illinois Race Weekend and support the Walk, Run & Roll with Team Noah so people with disabilities are able to experience the thrill of race weekend, as Noah did, and the joy of leading an active lifestyle.

How To Register and Participate

1. REGISTER

- To apply for Team Noah, click on this link and then receive a registration code. <https://illinoismarathon.com/races/5k/team-noah/>
- Once code is received, complete a registration at this link below; the registration button is located midway down screen. <https://illinoismarathon.com/races/5k/>
- Any questions or assistance needed, contact Licia at 217-841-5675.

2. PICK UP PACKET and GOODIE BAGS

- Pick up your race packet (race number, goody bag, & race shirt) at the Health & Fitness Expo at the Activities & Recreation Center (ARC). The expo is open Thursday April 22, 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., & Friday April 23rd starting 10:00 a.m.
- Stop by Team Noah Booth at Expo for your Team Noah goody bag and select the 1 mile or 3.2 (5K) mile route option and also receive further instructions.

3. COMPETE IN THE RACE EVENT on FRIDAY EVENING

- Meet at Team Noah tent near start of race by **7:15PM**
- Walk, run or roll the race. (Note - If doing the 1-mile, you will be guided where to turn).
- Finish at the Memorial Stadium and receive your finisher medal. Find the Team Noah flag to check in again and receive another goody bag.



View a video to learn about this event and Team Noah (~3 min.) at the registration link.

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Frequently Asked Questions

Q1 – Is there an age limit? Absolutely not; all are encourage to participate.

Q2 – What is the cost? Free! Team Noah covers your registration as well as your support person's registration.

Q3 – What happens if I don't have a support person to participate with me?

Team Noah will match you with a mentor to walk, run or roll with you.

Q4 – I'm not sure I can do a 5K; can I still sign up? Yes! Team Noah has the option to select 1 mile if you do not feel comfortable & confident to do a 5K.

Q5 – If I pick up my race packet, do I still need to go to Team Noah booth in the expo? Yes, specific information about being a Team Noah participant will be shared and Licia will record the distance you plan to walk, run or roll.

Q6 – If I can't make it, do I have to call someone? Please let Licia know; her number is 217-841-5675.

Q7 – Do have to be "fast" to participate? Not at all. This event is open to a variety of race times as the participants will either be running, walking, pushing trollers or wheelchairs.

Q8 – If it is raining, will the event still take place? Jan Seeley, Race Director of the Christie Clinic Illinois Race Weekend will make all weather-related announcements.

Q9 – Where do we meet before the race? Look for the Team Noah banners on the sides near the start of the 5K event on Friday evening. We will gather as a group to start the race.

Q10 – Do we all run together? We will all start together but are not required to finish together. Some participants will be faster than others.

Q11 – Is it timed? Yes and it will show your great accomplishment. You will receive number and will wear it on the outside. Note: Those choosing the 1-mile option will not receive an official time but will be wearing a bib number as required participate in the race for all athletes.

Don't forget to stop by Team Noah Booth at the Expo for instructions.

