

Christie Clinic Illinois Race Weekend: Gies Memorial Stadium Spectator Guidelines

- **Friday 5K and Saturday race day parking:** The main free parking lots for spectators are in the four State Farm Center parking lots, the Research Park (off of St. Mary's and Oak), and Lot E14 (off of Oak).
- Spectators access the stadium through Door 32 on the southwest side. Youth Run families will use the Door 23 on the southeast side for the Youth Run on Saturday afternoon.
- Backpacks, bags, coolers, containers, and alcoholic beverages are NOT allowed into Memorial Stadium. Small purses and fanny packs (8.5 x 11) or smaller are allowed but are subject to inspection. **Strollers and diaper bags ARE allowed in the Stadium.**
- Pets are not allowed in the stadium.
- No spectators are allowed on the Gies Memorial Stadium Field. Spectators can cheer on the participants from the east or west stands or the Horseshoe stands.
- No spectators are allowed in the Great West Hall unless you are accompanying a race entrant that is a minor.
- For the 5K, we will use two huge feather banners that say MEET ME ZONE to create a special area on the Stadium floor where families running/walking the race can reconnect after crossing the finish line.
- Restrooms are located on the east side of Gies Memorial Stadium and in the Horseshoe.
- Starting at 5:30 a.m. on near the bag drop area, west of the State Farm Center, Einstein Bros. Bagels and Columbia Street Roastery will cohost FREE coffee and bagels.
- The 4th Mile Street Fest event takes place after the Christie Clinic Illinois 5K on Friday on Kirby Avenue between First and Fourth streets, just outside the Stadium. 6:30 to 10:00 p.m.
- Starting at 8 a.m. on Saturday, the Meijer 27th-Mile Celebrate Victory Bash will kick off in the same location between First and Fourth streets.