



# JUNGLE RUN

Middle School Edition

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# LANGUAGE ACADEMY JOG-A-THON

**GET READY FOR OUR BIGGEST FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR!  
FUNDS RAISED GO DIRECTLY TO SUPPORTING OUR  
STUDENTS, TEACHERS, AND SCHOOL FACILITY.**

Middle School Programs and initiatives supported by  
funding raised through JOG-A-THON include:

**JOG-A-THON 2026**

**FRIDAY,  
MAY 1**

- Middle School Dance & Talent Show
- 6th grade line dancing, 7th grade self defense, and 8th grade ballroom dancing
- 8th grade color throw & yearbook signing
- Middle School science consumables and microscopes
- Middle School bathroom beautification
- Middle School Sports support
- DELF testing
- Lunch for the ice skating field trip

## **WET & WILD ADVENTURES AROUND THE TRACK**

Students may get wet or tagged with color powder while running through the Jungle Obstacle Course! We encourage students to bring a change of clothes for after their run.

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## HOW DOES THE JOG-A-THON WORK?

Donations can be collected using PledgeStar, our easy online platform, or in person. Regardless of how you collect donations, **all students need a PledgeStar account.** JOG-A-THON donations ARE NOT based on the number of times a student runs around the track. Each family member or friend donates a set dollar amount that is turned in BEFORE students run.



**ALL students will receive a free JOG-A-THON 2026 T-shirt!**

### FUNDRAISING OPTION #1 - PLEDGESTAR ONLINE

PledgeStar is an online fundraising platform that makes it easy to request donations and make secure credit card transactions! To register, scan the QR Code or visit [pledgestar.com/LanguageAcademy](https://pledgestar.com/LanguageAcademy).



**CREATE AN ACCOUNT** by entering a parent name and email address, choosing a password, and clicking REGISTER.

**ADD YOUR RUNNER(S)** and select their teacher(s).

**LOG INTO YOUR ACCOUNT** using the password emailed to you.

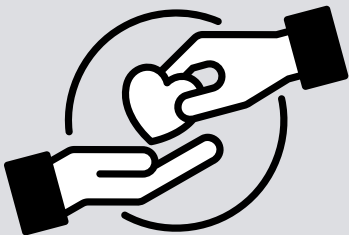
**INVITE** your family and friends to donate and help us meet our goal!

\*If you have an account from a previous year, you can log in and update your student's information.

\*\* PledgeStar is a PAPERLESS option. No papers need to be submitted to school.

### FUNDRAISING OPTION #2 - IN PERSON

Collect cash or checks made out to FOLA,  
with the student's first and last name in the memo section.



**ENCLOSE** your donation in an envelope marked with student's first and last name, teacher's name\*, and "JOG-A-THON 2026."

**RETURN** envelope to student's teacher or to the front office.

\*Middle School students, please select your  
5th period home room teacher.

To ensure that cash/check donations or funds raised outside of the PledgeStar platform are credited to your child(ren), **you must first create a PledgeStar account for each child.** Any funds received without an associated account will be placed in the general Jog-a-Thon donation fund and will not count toward your student's or class's fundraising totals.

All donations are tax deductible. Online donations will automatically receive a letter for tax purposes, while cash or check donations will only receive a letter upon request.

## SOAK ZONE!

Don't forget to bring a few extra dollars on May 1st for a chance to soak your teacher and school administrators in the SOAK ZONE. \$1 per throw or \$10 for a Sure Shot!

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Soak Zone

At the end of the day, 8th graders will have the opportunity to participate in a special Language Academy tradition of soaking their friends. \$1 per throw or \$20 for a Sure Shot!



PRIZE CEREMONY

**MAY 8**

## PRIZE OPPORTUNITIES & WAYS TO WIN

Students have the opportunity to win prizes for their participation and fundraising efforts!

**1 - TOP PERFORMING GRADE (Fundraising and Participation):** A **Grand Prize** will be awarded to the top performing Middle School grade. Performance will be measured by money raised and number of students who participate in fundraising. Every student that raises at least \$1.00 will be counted as a participating student for their grade.



### **Middle School Grand Prize: A FREE DAY OF FUN!**

The winning grade will enjoy a free day of fun on Thursday, May 21st! Students will spend the day hanging with friends in the auditorium. There will be movies, karaoke, lounge space, and snacks, snacks, and more snacks!

**2 - TOP FUNDRAISING STUDENTS:** The three Middle School students who raise the most money will be able to select a prize during the prize ceremony on **FRIDAY, MAY 8<sup>th</sup>**. Past prizes have included principal for a day, pizza party with friends, bowling with friends, and roller skating with friends.



## VOLUNTEERS - WE NEED YOUR HELP on May 1st

Parent and family volunteers are essential to the success of JOG-A-THON. Register to volunteer on May 1st using FOLA's online volunteer SignUp form (available in mid April).

You must be an approved Language Academy volunteer to participate.

**Download the volunteer application at [folasd.org/forms](https://folasd.org/forms).**

**THANK YOU TO OUR 2026 EVENT UNDERWRITER:**

**Josette Alvarez**



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**JOG-A-THON IS PRESENTED BY: FOLA - Friends of Language Academy**

For questions about JOG-A-THON or to get involved with FOLA, please email [FolaSanDiego@gmail.com](mailto:FolaSanDiego@gmail.com) or visit [FolaSD.org](https://FolaSD.org).