

**2019 BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD OF ALABAMA
KIDS MERCEDES-BENZ MARATHON
RACE DAY INSTRUCTIONS**

NEW FOR 2019- Kids Marathon will start and finish in Railroad Park.

<http://www.railroadpark.org/>

- 1) PLEASE visit www.mercedesmarathon.com/kids-marathon.php for answers to any questions, detailed race day instructions and information on parking, lining up, etc. This link was sent to your parents if an email address was provided.
 - 2) You will not need to check in on race day. Just proceed to the Railroad Park Amphitheatre area on the corner of 18th Street and 1st Avenue S. There will be signs at the gathering area for each grade. 5th graders can go straight to The Trak Shak arch to begin lining up at 10:50 a.m. A map can be found at link above. Please do not approach the starting corral arch until the previous grade is finished going through.
 - 3) Wear your Official Race t-shirt on the outermost layer of clothing. Attach your bib to the front of your shirt with the provided safety pins.
 - 4) Your Parent or Guardian must tear off the PARENT CLAIM TAG (located on the upper portion of the race bib) and keep it with them to claim you at the finish line. We suggest that the parent pin this claim tag to their outermost layer so it doesn't get lost on the way to finish line to claim you. They cannot get you out of the finish corral without the claim number that matches your bib number. DO NOT TRY TO SNEAK OUT – Railroad Park is a large area that you could easily get lost in with so many people around.
 - 5) Your parents will claim you in the finish line corral based on the last number of your bib. We have highlighted the number on the PARENT CLAIM TAG for their convenience. For instance, if you are bib #2364, your parents will meet you at the finish line corral labeled #4 as shown on the parent claim tag.
 - 6) Please have a parent write their name and cell # on the back of your bib.
- 7) START TIMES:**
- 11:00 AM - 5TH GRADE - NO Parents
 - 11:10 AM – 4TH GRADE – NO Parents
 - 11:20 AM – 3rd GRADE – NO Parents
 - 11:30 AM - 2nd GRADE – NO Parents
 - 11:40 AM – 1st GRADE – NO Parents
 - 11:50 AM – KINDERGARTEN – NO Parents
 - 12:05 PM – ALL KIDS RUNNING WITH REGISTERED PARENTS IN ALL GRADES –PARENTS MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED AND HAVE ON THE “PARENT” BIB THAT’S ATTACHED TO THE BACK OF YOUR BIB IN YOUR RACE BAG (If they registered themselves). FOR SAFETY PURPOSES, UNREGISTERED PARENTS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED ON THE COURSE.
- 8) PARKING-** We've partnered with Clutch! Gameday Parking. It's easy and convenient. Download their App, Clutch!, then you can reserve and pay for your space before race day.

PARENTS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO RUN WITH STROLLERS OR UNREGISTERED YOUNGER SIBLINGS. The BCBSAL Kids Mercedes-Benz Marathon is for children who have registered and trained by running at least a total of 25.2 miles prior to race day and have submitted a log sheet (unless your coach has been keeping up with it and turned in for the school) as proof of your training. **Please be sure to review detailed instructions online.**