



Envision Financial Run For Water 2019 Partner Schools

Thank you for your involvement in the 2019 Envision Financial Run for Water school education program. We are excited to be working with you bringing our newly revised global citizenship curriculum to your school! Our efforts in the schools this year will be benefiting the community of **Meda Atsela (Meda)** in rural Tigray, Ethiopia to provide them with clean water and quality education for LIFE.

Last year, our partner schools raised money for the community of Awash Kolati, and thanks to your efforts they are now living with clean water and quality primary education! Over the past **12 years** you have helped us transform **over 60 communities** throughout rural Ethiopia. Together we have raised over **\$4 million dollars** which means over **200,000 people** have clean water for life!

You have helped turn small ripples into great waves. Join us once again as we transform lives in **Meda** this year!

The following information gives you everything you need to know to get your school connected and involved with Run for Water. Please have a read through and let us know if you have any questions. We encourage you to display the **posters** throughout your schools and distribute the **wristbands** as you see fit. Perhaps there are a few kids showing great initiative and interest in learning about the water crisis or are leading the way with fundraising efforts. These are a fun way to promote and encourage involvement. Attached is a **pledge form** you can distribute to your students if you so choose as part of your fundraising efforts.

As part of the R4W Partner Schools program, we will send our team to your school to present an informative **assembly** as well as organizing a **mini run**! You can choose to do one or both. If you have not already registered for either of these go to: **runforwater.setmore.com**. This online registration system allows you to view the available times, select & book what works for you & your school. We will then be in touch to confirm your appointments and answer any questions you may have. We look

forward to connecting & interacting with you & your students in these ways as they are a highlight of our partner schools program.

Registration is now open to participate in 2019 Run For Water 5k, 10k or half marathon road races. Our partner schools get discounted prices for their students and teachers. To access this, please click the link below. This is the registration site for the Envision Financial Run for Water Partner School **teacher and students ONLY**.

REG LINK: https://events.com/r/en_US/registration/2019---envision-financial-run-for-water-partner-school-s-abbotsford-may-748891

**We ask that you please have your students and teachers specify the partner school of which they are a member while registering.

Schools may choose to **fundraise** in whichever way they think suits their school, students and community. We encourage you to be creative and find new ways to get your students thinking globally.

A few things you need to know:

1. This year we will be using Kindful for individual school fundraising pages. Please visit <https://runforwater.kindful.com/partner-schools-for-meda-2019> to set up a team page for your school

With this team page, you can:

- Add a personalized note about your school and your school's R4W goals
- Share the personalized link to your school's fundraising page
- Accept online donations via credit card
- Individual teachers, students or families can start their own fundraising page

*** When you create your page, please specify the school you are supporting on the title of the page.

2. Cash and cheque donations (made out to the Run for Water Foundation) can be collected and dropped off to the Run for Water office at any time or handed in at the "Donations Tent" at the Race Expo on May 25th and/or on May 26th at Mill Lake Park (near the main stage).

3. We encourage you to go online and download our new curriculum. These resources have been developed exclusively with educators and Run for Water and will provide you with information, resources and lesson plans to teach Run for Water at your school.

4. You can link to the school curriculum and other clean water education resources at <http://www.runforwater.ca/educate>

With Run for Water, your school is working as part of something bigger. We are all on the same team, spreading awareness of the global water crisis and encouraging our community members to play an active role as global citizens.

Thanks to you, our clean water movement is expanding and we encourage you to further embrace that larger group and **share your school's events and activities by sending emails, quotes or photos to our Education Coordinator.**

We love to share what our partner schools are doing and look forward to hearing from you!

As always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me. I am happy to assist you in whatever way I can.

Kindest regards,

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