



YMCA FORT WORTH TURKEY TROT: ADDITIONAL FAQs

Race Information

The 2024 Fort Worth YMCA Turkey Trot will take place on Thanksgiving Day, November 28, 2024 at The Shops at Clearfork. Please be aware that chip timing is required to participate in either 5K or 8K run. **Runners must wear their bibs to be eligible for overall awards, age group awards or finisher medals.** Starting times:

- 1K Gobbler Trot: 8 A.M.
- 8K: 7:45 A.M.
- 5K: 8:30 A.M.

Registration Information

Please be aware that the Fort Worth YMCA Turkey Trot has a **limited participant capacity**. Registration for the Fort Worth YMCA Turkey Trot will close once this capacity is reached. However, if space is still available on race day, you can register prior to the start of the 5K & 8K races. Race Day Registration begins at 6:30 A.M. Early arrival ensures you will not miss the race start. Those registering on race day may not receive a Turkey Trot shirt.

Group & Family Registration:

Group & Family registration is offered for groups or families of 5 or more participants who register and pay on or before November 20th. Each member of a Group & Family will receive a \$5 discount (The \$5 discount will be applied once the 5th participant has registered and paid for the Trot). Group & Family participants do not need to participate in the same event to receive the \$5 discount per participant. Group & Family participants are encouraged to pick up shirts and bibs prior to race day.

NEW VIP Registration Package

New for 2024, we have a limited number of VIP Turkey Trot entries. The VIP entries will be available to the first 400 participants who select this option.

VIP Package includes:

- 1 Turkey Trot Entry for the 5K or 8K
- 1 Spot in the VIP Starting Line Coral
- 1 VIP Tent Pass
- 1 Traditional Long Sleeve 100% cotton Turkey Trot T-Shirt
- 1 New Short Sleeve Turkey Trot Shirt.
- Access to Early Packet Pick-Up - November 19th from 4pm – 7:30pm at the Benbrook Community Center YMCA.

VIP package price:

- Registration fee + \$40 – group discounts are not available for the VIP package



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When & where do I pick up my shirt & bib?

T-Shirts and race bibs will be available during the scheduled Packet Pick-Up days at Luke's Locker, The Bedford Center YMCA and the Northpark YMCA. To ensure you will receive a t-shirt and bib, we strongly encourage early registration and attending packet pick-up prior to race day. Please keep in mind, all participants must wear their assigned race bib on race day to participate in the 5K, 8K or Gobbler Trot. If picking up a shirt/bib for someone else, please have the participant's name and QR code ready.

Luke's Locker (The Shops at Clearfork)

5255 Monahans Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76109 | 817-877-1448

- Saturday, November 23rd Noon – 7:00pm
- Sunday, November 24th Noon – 5:00pm
- Monday, November 25th Noon – 7:00pm
- Tuesday, November 26th Noon – 7:00pm
- Wednesday, November 27th Noon – 5:00pm

Northpark YMCA

9100 Beach Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76244 | 817-993-1333

- Saturday, November 23rd 1:00pm – 4:00pm
- Sunday, November 24th 1:00pm – 4:00pm

Bedford Community YMCA

2801 Forest Ridge, Bedford, Texas 76021 | 817-725-8439

- Saturday, November 23rd 1:00pm – 4:00pm
- Sunday, November 24th 1:00pm – 4:00pm

Hood County YMCA

1475 James Rd, Granbury, Texas 76049 | 817-573-7159

- Saturday, November 23rd Noon – 4:00pm

Joshua Community YMCA

1009 Joshua Station Blvd., Texas 76058 | 817-645-9622

- Saturday, November 23rd Noon – 4:00pm



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Do I get a finished medal for completing the race?

A specific number of runners in each race will receive a 2024 Fort Worth YMCA Turkey Trot Finisher Award upon completion of their specific run. You must have a Fort Worth YMCA Turkey Trot Racing Bib on at the finish line for the specified race to receive a Fort Worth YMCA Turkey Trot finisher Award (only registered participants are eligible for a Finisher Award).

- 5K: the first 6,000 registered runners will receive a finisher award
- 8K: the first 2,500 registered runners will receive a finisher award
- 1K: the first 600 registered children will receive a finisher award

Do you have age group awards?

Yes, we offer age group medals for the top three finishers in each age group in the 5K & 8K (age groups listed below). All age group winners are determined by final chip-time results. Age group awards are only available for runners registered for the 5K or 8K. All age group awards can be picked-up at Luke's Locker – Clear Fork location (Nov 28th–Dec 31st).

5K Age Groups – Medals

Ages 0-8 (Male and Female)
Ages 9-10 (Male and Female)
Ages 11-12 (Male and Female)
Ages 13-14 (Male and Female)
Ages 15-19 (Male and Female)
Ages 20-24 (Male and Female)
Ages 25-29 (Male and Female)
Ages 30-34 (Male and Female)
Ages 35-39 (Male and Female)
Ages 40-44 (Male and Female)
Ages 45-49 (Male and Female)
Ages 50-54 (Male and Female)
Ages 55-59 (Male and Female)
Ages 60-64 (Male and Female)
Ages 65-69 (Male and Female)
Ages 70-74 (Male and Female)
Ages 75-79 (Male and Female)
Ages 80+ (Male and Female)

8K Age Groups – Medals

Ages 0-13 (Male and Female)
Ages 14-19 (Male and Female)
Ages 20-24 (Male and Female)
Ages 25-29 (Male and Female)
Ages 30-34 (Male and Female)
Ages 35-39 (Male and Female)
Ages 40-44 (Male and Female)
Ages 45-49 (Male and Female)
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Prize Money

We are excited to offer cash prizes for the top 3 finishers in both the 5K and 8K race. We will also be offering gift cards to the top 3 overall Master Division finishers. All award recipients must be registered prior to the event. Overall awards will be distributed on the stage during the post-race ceremony.

Prize Breakdown:

- 1st Overall Male + Female \$250 Cash
- 2nd Overall Male + Female \$150 Cash
- 3rd Overall Male + Female \$750 Cash
- 1st Masters* Male + Female \$100 Luke's Locker Gift Card
- 2nd Masters* Male + Female \$50 Luke's Locker Gift Card
- 3rd Masters* Male + Female \$25 Luke's Locker Gift Card

Prize money distribution is based upon gun time results and will only be awarded for qualified finishers of both the 5K and 8K. All award recipients must be registered and paid prior to start of their race. A review of the results will occur prior to the awards ceremony and prize money disbursements, but decisions of the Event & Course Director are final and cannot be contested.

*All Masters Division participants must be 40 years of age or older at race time.

Is the 1K Gobbler Trot a separate event/distance?

Yes, the 1k Children's Gobbler Trot is a 1K fun run. Parents who register for the 5K or the 8K may accompany their child(ren) who are registered in the 1k Children's Gobbler Trot. The Gobbler Trot is an untimed fun run. All children participating must be registered prior to the 1K Gobbler Trot to receive a finisher award or event t-shirt (while supplies last). The first 600 children (12U) will receive a commemorative finisher award as they finish the Gobbler Trot.

Participants must have a 2024 Fort Worth YMCA Turkey Trot Racing Bib to receive a Fort Worth YMCA Turkey Trot Finisher Award. Only registered participants are eligible for a Gobbler Trot Finisher Award.



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What is the VIP Turkey Coop?

The VIP Turkey Coop is a great way to start your Turkey Trot experience!

This is a great spot to nourish the body and enjoy a little fellowship prior to taking flight in the 5K or 8K runs. Wristbands will be available during the packet pick-up for those who pre-register for this experience. A limited number of Turkey Coop wristbands will be available.

Turkey Coop Perks:

- Breakfast
- Coffee
- Hot Chocolate
- Both covered & uncovered Coop to roam
- Limited seating will be available

What is the Turkey Trot Hall of Fame?

In celebration of the 43 years of the Fort Worth YMCA Turkey Trot, we are recognizing some of our loyal runners, event volunteer leaders, community supporter and some of our past event winners. Honorees will be notified in advance of this year's event and recognized prior to the start of this year's runs. Watch for our Facebook post beginning in late September as we announce the upcoming year honorees.

Hall of Fame Members:

- Luciana Bartholomew
- Chris Butler
- Avery Culpepper
- Reagan Ferguson
- Trevor Gilley
- Caitlin Keen
- Keith Kotar
- Luke's Locker
- Moritz Auto
- Scott Murray
- Elizabeth Northern
- Brent Paulson
- Mayor Betsy Price
- Jonathan Swiatocha
- Agustan Hernandez
- Bryan Day
- Kim Cooke
- Trevor Berkowitz
- Sportswear Graphics



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Can I walk the 5K?

We have lots of walkers. Do keep in mind that all walkers **MUST** start at the back of the pack. Walkers are only permitted in the 5K.

Can I bring my dog?

Absolutely, dogs are welcome. There is a \$20.00 registration fee and all well trained, friendly dogs on leashes (max. 3 ft.) are welcome. Participants **MUST** line up in the designated "Dog Coral" at the back of the starting corrals. No dog will be allowed in the competitive corrals. Dog owners maintain responsibility for their pets. Dogs should be registered for the event and the first 400 dogs to register will receive a Turkey Trot dog bandana. Runners are responsible for cleaning up after their dogs.

Is skating or cycling allowed?

No, because they travel at a higher speed, for the safety of others, rollerblades, Heelys, roller skates, scooters and bicycles are not allowed in the Fort Worth YMCA Turkey Trot.

Is there assistance available if I cannot complete the whole course?

Yes, we have paramedics, radio operators and police officers patrolling the course. If you need assistance, just ask a volunteer or an officer for help. We also have water stops located on the course.

Are baby strollers allowed?

Absolutely, strollers are welcome. Participants **MUST** line up in the designated "Stroller Coral" at the back of the starting corrals. No strollers will be allowed in the competitive chip timed corral. Parents registered in the 5K or 8K are not required to register infants or toddlers riding in a stroller.



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Will food and water be available at the Fort Worth YMCA Turkey Trot?

The Turkey Trot will provide water and fruit for our participants at no additional charge at the end of the races.

When does the course close?

All courses close at 10:30 A.M. If course/time accommodations are needed, please contact Eddie Dobbins @ edobbins@ymcafw.org prior to November 10th.

Who do I contact with additional questions or to learn about sponsoring the event?

Please contact Eddie Dobbins @ edobbins@ymcafw.org with any event or sponsorship related questions.