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PTA Council hosting 5K to benefit Dysart youth

DYSART SCHOOLS — The Surprise-El Mirage PTA Council, a non-profit organization representing 16 PTA schools in the Dysart Unified School District and surrounding community, is hosting its inaugural *Walking Together For Youth 5K Run/Walk* on Saturday, January 21, 2012. In conjunction with the city of El Mirage, the goal is to make the *Walking Together For Youth 5K* a premier annual event to raise awareness about the importance of physical activity in the lives of children. All ability levels of participation are encouraged. Proceeds for this event will support physical education programs in the Dysart Unified School District and extracurricular sports.

The event will feature a 5K walk and race that begins and ends at Riverview Elementary. There will be an awards ceremony for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place overall in each age bracket, with refreshments post-race. Pre-registration is \$15 per child (up to age 18) and \$20 per adult. All pre-registered participants will receive a t-shirt and a race bib. T-shirts will be available in limited supply for day-of-the-race registrations.

All Dysart schools and Carden Traditional School will benefit from the proceeds raised by this event. The PTA school with the most participants will earn an additional \$500 for its P.E. department.

EVENT SCHEDULE:

Saturday, Jan. 21 6-7:30 a.m.: Day of Race Registration, packet pickup at Riverview School.

Saturday, Jan. 21 8 a.m.: Start of 5K

Saturday, Jan. 21 After Race: Awards Ceremony and vendor booth exhibition (*pending sponsorship participation*)

Online and mail-in registration is available via www.semptacouncil.com. Click on the **Walking Together for Youth 5K** link. For further, please contact Beth Simek at bethsimek@semptacouncil.com or 623-476-9651.

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