



VOLUNTEER KNOW BEFORE YOU GO!

Thank you for representing Nemours Children's at the Philadelphia Marathon Race Weekend 2024!

WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Friday, Nov. 22, 2024

Nemours Children's Booth at Health & Fitness EXPO and Packet Pickup | Noon – 9:00 p.m.
Philadelphia Convention Center – Hall F

Saturday, Nov. 23, 2024

Half Marathon and 8K | 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Benjamin Franklin Parkway

Children's Zone | 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Von Colln Memorial Field (Benjamin Franklin Parkway, between 22nd and 23rd Streets)

Health & Fitness EXPO and Packet Pickup | 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Philadelphia Convention Center – Hall F

Sunday, Nov. 24, 2024

Full Marathon | 7:00 a.m.
Benjamin Franklin Parkway

Children's Zone | 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Nemours Children's Run | Races begin at 10:00 a.m.
Von Colln Memorial Field (Benjamin Franklin Parkway, between N 22nd and N 23rd Streets)

WHAT TO EXPECT

Please give yourself plenty of time to find your meeting location, as there will be many road closures and finding parking may be challenging. Plan to arrive at your volunteer location 15 minutes prior to your shift start time.

- As a volunteer representing Nemours, be prepared to answer many types of questions. You will be interacting with many different people from all over the country. Bring your smile, take pride in your role and have a good time!
- Familiarize yourself with the [course maps](#) and Start/Finish diagrams and all weekend events.
- Volunteers are required to obey the "No smoking" and "No alcohol" policies for the duration of their assignment.
- If at any time during your assignment you have a problem, immediately notify our volunteer coordinator, **Kelly-Ayn McKay at 302.287.8734**.

WHAT TO WEAR

Volunteers must wear Nemours branded attire with our current logo as well as a credential (if provided). Dress appropriately – casual and for the weather. Wear comfortable, closed-toe shoes, as you will be on your feet a lot. If you need a Nemours t-shirt, please contact Kelly-Ayn McKay **before November 8th** at kelly-ayn.mckay@nemours.org.

WHAT TO BRING

Volunteers must always carry a photo ID with them during their assignment and be prepared to show this to race officials and security personnel upon request. Personal items should be kept to a minimum, bringing only necessary goods during your volunteer shifts. You may bring a few snacks as well as a **refillable water bottle**. Please reference the [list of prohibited items](#) before your arrival. Do not bring backpacks, cameras or other valuables with you to your assignment. **Nemours and the race organizers are not responsible for lost or stolen items, and there is no space to store personal belongings.**

WHERE TO EAT

HEALTH & FITNESS EXPO: A Reading Terminal Market \$20 Gift Card will be provided for every completed four-hour shift at the Expo. Reading Terminal offers a wide variety of food options, along with high-speed wireless Internet access, and is within walking distance.

NEMOURS CHILDREN'S ZONE: Food and drinks will be provided for volunteers working at the Nemours Children's Zone. Once your four-hour shift has been completed, you will receive a volunteer wristband to access the catering tent.

*If you wish to pack your own food, please consider the list of prohibited items shared below.

WEATHER

Depending on the location of your volunteer shift, please dress comfortably and suitably for the weather. If you're at the Expo, you will be inside the Convention Center. If you're at the Nemours Children's Tent on the Parkway, it is heated, but dress appropriately for the weather.

While the Philadelphia Marathon Weekend events will be held rain or shine, in the event of severe weather or other occurrences, information will be available. Sign up for timely notices at <http://www.phila.gov/ready>

GETTING THERE

We recommend car-pooling with other volunteers and/or taking mass transit via Septa from Wilmington to 30th Street Station, then on to the Convention Center at Reading Terminal or the Ben Franklin Parkway. Keep in mind that there will be many street closures, so driving in the city will be extremely challenging. For travel tips, visit the Philadelphia Marathon [FAQ page](#).

HOW TO GET TO VON COLLN FIELD: The Philadelphia Marathon Weekend will begin and end near the world-renowned Philadelphia Museum of Art at the head of the majestic Benjamin Franklin Parkway. The Nemours Children's Run and Kids Zone will take place at the **Von Colln Memorial Field** (adjacent to Eakins Oval and the Philadelphia Museum of Art, between N 23rd and N 22nd Streets).

Center City is compact and very walkable; however we encourage volunteers to use public transportation on race day. Philadelphia's mass transit system, SEPTA, offers two subway lines, regional rail service to and from the surrounding suburbs, and bus service throughout the city. Several SEPTA buses (Nos. 7, 32, 38, 43 and 48) currently serve the Museum area.

Please check with SEPTA at (215) 580-7800 (septa.org) for information about schedules, drop-off and pick-up locations and route detours.

To access the Start/Finish area and find our tent, you will need to enter security checkpoints, then look for the Nemours feather flags in front of our tent on the parkway, directly across from of the Marathon Starting Line on the parkway. Arrive early so you have time to get through security entrances, which open at 5:00 a.m., and make sure you give yourself plenty of time to get to where you need to go. Here is a [map](#) of the Start/Finish Area.

HOW TO GET TO CONVENTION CENTER - HALL F: The entrances to the Convention Center are located two blocks ahead at the NE and NW corners of 12th and Arch Streets. Look for the Philadelphia Marathon Health & Fitness Expo's Nemours Children's Zone in the back left corner. Our booth is right next to the Children's Zone, next to the marathon merchandise area.

[Click here](#) for more information on the Health & Fitness Expo and to view the floorplan.

PARKING

We encourage all volunteers to park in the following designated lots and we will reimburse up to \$30 per day for your parking expenses:

Nemours Expo Booth - *Near the Convention Center*

Parkway Corp. 1127 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107 (267) 765-3652 [Google Map Location](#)

There are several parking garages within a four-block radius of the Pennsylvania Convention Center. It is also easily accessible to numerous SEPTA bus and train stops.

Nemours Children's Run and Kids Zone - *Near the Parkway*

Parkway Corp. 1919 Arch Street Philadelphia, PA 19103 (267) 606-4044 [Google Map Location](#)

For Cheer Station Volunteers

Parking may be available near the Nemours facility located at 833 Chestnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19107 (located between 9th and Chestnut streets).

No on-street parking is allowed along the Benjamin Franklin Parkway, beginning on Saturday, or Sunday, but there are several parking lots and garages conveniently located in the area.

Below are several options to pay for parking or to share with other attendees not volunteering for Nemours. **Call ahead as rates and availability may have changed.**

Other Pay to Park Lots and Garages:

23rd & Cherry streets, Patriot Parking, Inc., (215) 751-9696 – Closed on Sundays

22nd & Walden streets, SP+ Parking, (215) 568-4025

23rd & Arch streets, Central Parking System, (215) 568-4018

222 North 20th Street, Standard Parking, (215) 448-1391

1815 Cherry Street, Logan Square Parking, (215) 567-3744

16th & Race streets (Sheraton Hotel), Standard Parking, (215) 196-0293

1815 JFK Boulevard, Central Parking System, (215) 568-8030

1901 JFK Boulevard, Central Parking System, (215) 557-3821

1700 Benjamin Franklin Parkway, The Windsor Suites, (215) 569-0899

36 S. 19th Street, Central Parking System, (215) 561-1187

EVENT CONTACT LIST

Kelly-Ayn McKay (TENT LEAD) 302-287-8734

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USE YOUR VOLUNTEER TIME-OFF BENEFIT

Some associates may be eligible to submit their hours from this event as Volunteer Time Off (VTO). VTO is a paid benefit to encourage Nemours Associates to volunteer to enhance and serve the communities in which we live and work.

Full-time associates receive eight hours that can be used in either four- or eight-hour increments (*this benefit is applicable on Friday only*), and part-time associates receive four hours of VTO each calendar year. To use your VTO hours, please complete the [VTO Request Form](#).

For more information on Volunteer Time Off and how to submit, please visit this [link](#) or email communityengagement@nemours.org.

SECURITY & HEALTH

All persons entering this venue will be screened via walk-through magnetometers, and/or by security agents equipped with hand-held magnetometers. All items being carried into the venue/area will be thoroughly searched by security agents at each checkpoint. It is recommended by the Philadelphia Marathon guidelines to stay home if you're not feeling well. Please also alert **Kelly-Ayn McKay at 302.287.8734** if you're unable to volunteer.

TALKING POINTS ABOUT NEMOURS

- Nemours Children's Health, takes a whole-child approach to primary care pediatrics, focusing on wellness and prevention and developing healthy kids at all ages and stages
- Our Southeastern Pennsylvania primary care locations treat newborns to 18 years old for everything from wellness visits, physicals, lab testing, and more. They have extensive telehealth options and there are evening and weekend appointments available and no long waits for getting appointments.
- Our board- certified primary care pediatricians are known for being compassionate physicians who pride themselves on providing quality, unique care using evidence- based methods like those of a large metropolitan area with the caring of a small-town practice close to home.
- When your child needs the specialty care of a hospital for orthopedic, heart, cancer, surgery and much more, Nemours Children's Health world renowned specialists in Wilmington, DE are among the nation's best.
- NemoursKidsHealth.org is one of the world's most trusted sites for families looking for information on line for everything health and wellness related for newborns to teens.

NEMOURS CHILDREN'S RUN

For general information about the Nemours Children's Run and/or registration for related events, please visit <https://www.philadelphiamarathon.com/races/nemours-childrens-run/>