Campbell Recreation Oktoberfest Fun Run Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Where can I pick up my race bib and shirt?
A: Packet pickup is available on **Friday, October 16th from 4:00 – 7:00 PM at Sports Basement**. If you cannot attend on Friday, you may pick up your packet **race morning, 8:00 – 8:45 AM at Campbell Park**.

Q: Can I change from a 10K to a 5K or 5K to a 10K?
A: Yes! Contact **laurenc@campbellca.gov** for any changes by **10:00 AM on Friday, October 16th**. Changes after this time must be made **on race morning** at the SVE timing booth. Please arrive **prior to 9:00 AM** to make the change.

Q: Do you take day-of registration?
A: **No, all registration must be completed online prior to the event while spots are available.**

Q: Is this a timed event?
A: **Yes, the 10K and 5K races are timed**. Each runner will receive a race bib with a timing chip. Your time begins when you cross the start line and ends at the finish line. **The Kids' Dash is not timed.**

Q: How do I find my race time online?
A: Race results are provided by **SVE Timing Services**. After the race, you can **view your official time and results online** on their website. Make sure to have your bib number handy to locate your results easily at www.svetiming.com/results.

Q: I plan to walk the 5K or 10K. Where should I start?
A: Walkers are welcome! To ensure everyone's safety and an enjoyable experience, **please start near the back of the starting line** so faster runners can pass comfortably.

Q: What is the trail surface for the race?
A: The **5K course is entirely on pavement**. The **10K course is primarily on pavement**, with **a portion of the trail on gravel**. Please plan footwear accordingly. The trail is flat with just a few slight hills.

Q: What time should I finish by?
A: The 10K and 5K races are designed to be completed within **2 hours**. Please plan your pace accordingly to finish safely before the awards ceremony.

Q: Is water provided during the race?
A: **Water stations are available along the course** (see map). **Water bottles and cups are provided at the finish line while supplies last.** We **recommend bringing your own water bottle** to help reduce plastic waste.

Q: Will I receive a medal?
A: **Yes! All registered runners will receive a finisher medal** after crossing the finish line. Medals can be **picked up near the food area on the basketball court**.

Q: Is there parking available?
A: Parking is limited to street parking and nearby public parking garages. We recommend arriving early, as spaces can fill quickly on race day. Please follow posted signs and respect residential areas. Please visit https://www.downtowncampbell.com/directions more information.

Q: Is there a place to check bags or personal belongings?
A: No, unfortunately **we do not have a bag check or storage area**. Please plan to keep your belongings

Q: What awards are given?
A: **Finisher Medals:** All registered runners receive a finisher medal after crossing the finish line. Medals can be **picked up near the refreshment area on the basketball court**.

Top Finisher Awards: Awards are presented to **1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each category** for the 5K and 10K. These awards are provided by our sponsors and may include **store certificates or other items and services**.

Q: Are dogs allowed?
A: Yes, dogs are allowed, **but they must be kept on a leash at all times**. Please be mindful of other participants and clean up after your pet.

Q: Can I push my child in a stroller?
A: Yes! Both the 5K and 10K courses are **stroller-friendly**. For safety, please start at the **back of the starting line** and be mindful of other runners while on the course.

Q: What happens if it rains?
A: The race is **rain or shine**, so please plan accordingly.

Q: Are there restrooms available?
A: Yes, portable restrooms will be available near the start/finish line at Campbell Park and along the trail (see map).

Q: Can spectators watch the race?
A: Absolutely! Friends and family are welcome to cheer at the start/finish lines and along the trail. Please stay on designated paths for safety.

Q: What should I wear?
A: Dress for **cold-weather running**, and wear comfortable shoes. Layers are recommended as temperatures may rise during the race. Don't forget to show your Oktoberfest spirit!

Q: Can I take photos or share on social media?
A: Yes! We encourage participants to **share photos** using our official hashtag: **#CampbellOktoberfest** and tag @CampbellRecreation on your social media. Please be mindful of other participants and children.

Q: Will there be a professional photographer?
A: Yes! **Foggy Bay Photos** will be taking photos throughout the event. We encourage runners to **wear their bibs visibly on the front of their shirt** so they can easily find their photos online after the race. Photos will be available online the week after the event.

Q: What happens if I get injured while running?

A: There are volunteers available to call for help at every water station. If you are able to do so, please carefully make your way to the nearest water station, or ask a fellow participant to notify the any race staff of your location and condition.

Q: Where can I find more information?
A: Visit www.campbellca.gov/oktoberfest for updates and details.

Oktoberfest Fun Run Event 2026 Overview

Join us for a festive community run/walk along the Los Gatos Creek Trail. Bring your family and friends to celebrate fitness, community, and Oktoberfest spirit with a 5K or 10K run or walk.

10K/5K Registration Fees:

- Adults: $50
- Ages 21 & Under: $25

Kids' Dash Registration Fees:

- Ages 6 and under: $15*

*Shirt not included for Kids' Dash

Register by October 10th to guarantee a 10K/5K race shirt and medal. Registrations received after this date are **not guaranteed** these items and will receive them while supplies last. Visit www.campbellca.gov/oktoberfest to register online.

Event Schedule – Saturday, October 17th

- **8:00 – 9:00 AM:** Packet Pickup & Sponsor Booths (Basketball Courts)
- **9:00 AM:** Kids' Dash
- **9:15 AM:** 10K Start
- **9:25 AM:** 5K Start
- **10:40 – 11:00 AM***: Awards Ceremony (Basketball Courts)

*Award ceremony start time may vary slightly based on race completion times. Medals will be distributed after registered runners/walkers cross the finish line. Runners are welcome to visit sponsor booths and enjoy light refreshments!

Packet Pickup

- **Friday, October 16th:** 4:00 – 7:00 PM at **Sports Basement**, 1875 S Bascom Ave, Suite 240, Campbell, CA 95008
- **Race Day, Saturday, October 17th:** 8:00 – 8:45 AM at Campbell Park

Each registered 10K/5K runner will receive a race bib and timing chip at packet pickup. The Kids' Dash is **not a timed event**.

Questions? Contact recinfo@campbellca.gov