



Hello Chocolate Lovers!

Thank you for participating in this light-hearted Valentine's Day themed run/walk! It's mostly flat, all fun and there will be lots of Bissingers chocolate just for YOU. Here is a bit of helpful information to know **before** the event.

PACKET PICK UP OPTIONS:

Feb 7-Thursday - 11 AM - 7 PM at Bissingers Café – 32 Maryland Plaza, 63108 - five parking meters have been reserved for participants.

Feb 8-Friday - 12 PM - 7 PM at Big Shark Bicycle Company – 1155 South Big Bend Blvd, 63117

Feb 9-Race Day - 7:30 AM - 8:30 AM at Bissingers Chocolate Factory – 1600 N Broadway, 63102

PRE-ORDERED CHOCOLATES: If you ordered chocolates through Chronotrack registration please pick them up at Bissingers Chocolate Shoppe on the 2nd floor after the race. **The Chocolate Shoppe will be open at 7:00am. 2nd Floor.**

INCLEMENT WEATHER: Please check [our Facebook Page](#) for updates. We will only post in the event of a change to the race.

COURSE DETAILS:

Mass start on Mound. R on Broadway. L on Brooklyn, Right on 9th St., R on Branch. R on the Great Rivers Greenway Riverfront Trail. R on Mullanphy. L on Collins. R on Florida. R on Broadway. R on Mound. Finish. Please be aware that there might be ice on the course.

While on Broadway and 9th St. please stay within the dedicated coned lane to help ensure your safety as the roads are open to traffic.

The Aid Station with water and chocolate will be located at Branch/GRG Riverfront Trail. Hot chocolate, fondue, bottled water, bananas and heaters await you at the finish area. The course will be clearly marked with an array of cones, barricade and directional arrows. Course Marshals in orange safety vests will be posted at key intersections to help monitor traffic flow. Secondary Officers will be posted along the route. Secondary Officers will provide lead/tail vehicles as well. Please thank them when you pass by!

Familiarize yourselves with the run course & where to park prior to Saturday. Maps posted at runforthechocolate.com

EVENT TIMING:

Provided by the good people at Big River Race Management. **Please wear your bib visibly on the front of your shirt or shorts to ensure times & awards are accurate.**

PARKING:

Available at Bissingers Chocolate Factory as well as the gravel lot at Collins/O'Fallon. Please DO NOT park along the race route especially on Collins between Mullanphy and Florida. **Always park smart- place all belongings out of sight.**

RESTROOMS: Port-a-potties will be located near the start/finish area and one portapotty at Branch/GRG Riverfront Trail.

FRIENDLY REMINDER:

Please help us keep the area clean by hanging onto your gel packets, water bottles, paper cups and other items until they can be thrown in a trash receptacle located at the finish line and/or at the aid station.

WHILE YOU'RE IN THE AREA POST RACE - be sure to visit [Smoki O's](#) for some tasty St Louis BBQ!

THANK YOU for choosing to Run for the Chocolate! There are many events out there and we appreciate your participation locally.

YOUR BIG SHARK CREW

