12-Week Heart Health 5k Training Plan

February 17th
- May 4th
2020

This training plan was created as preparation for the annual Hearth Health 5K held on May 10th 2020. This plan is appropriate for all fitness levels and incorporates running, walking, strength training, and rest days. This is a recommendation to best prepare for race day. As always, listen to your body and make adjustments as needed!



Welcome to the 2020 Heart Health 5K Training Plan!

This plan was created by Annie McCabe, a former dietetic intern at The Medical University of South Carolina. She also is an ACE certified group fitness instructor and an avid runner.

Thank you for allowing us the privilege and opportunity to work with your child in training for a 5k...a big accomplishment for anyone! We are very excited to help your child reach his/her fitness goals and work towards a healthier lifestyle while having lots of fun!

Below is a detailed layout of the schedule for the next 12 weeks. Each week we will hold one "in-person" training session at Park Circle on Mondays at 5:30 and ask that you help us out by encouraging your child to complete the other workouts provided throughout the week. If your child cannot attend an "in-person" training session on any given week, please consult the schedule for a workout in order to stay on track throughout training. Lastly, we recognize the importance of resting and recovering the body and have scheduled in two rest day each week!

We encourage your child to make as many of the in-person training sessions as possible and continue working hard outside of our sessions together. Children who attend the majority of training sessions (at least 9 of the 12 sessions) will be given special recognition at the 5K to reward their hard work and dedication. (Make-up sessions will be held in the event of any cancellations and announced through the texting service.) In-person training sessions will be held Mondays from 5:30pm-6:30pm at Park Circle (4800 Park Circle, North Charleston, 29405).

What you put into training is what you will get out of it. Let's work hard and have some fun!!

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Training Schedule Key Terms:

Warm-up: 5-minute walk/jog at a brisk but easy pace prior to each workout in order to get the heart pumping and blood flowing.

Dynamic Stretching: A series of movement-based stretching to warm up the muscles and prepare or for the workout. Movement-based stretching simply means moving your body to stretch rather holding a set position. For example: swinging one leg forwards and backwards warms up the muscles and the hip.

Cool-Down: Easy-paced 5-minute walk after each workout to bring your heart rate down.

Stretching: Following the "cool-down" do a 3-5-minute sequence of static (reference the below definition) stretching to help with flexibility and prevent injuries.

Static Stretching: Hold a stretch for about 10-30 seconds to increase flexibility.

Strength-Training: Helps build strong muscles through movements with machines, hand weights, resistance bands, and/or body weight. Strength training will help with speed while decreasing the risk of injury. It can be done without any equipment and simply by using your body weight and should be used to target major muscle groups including upper body, lower body, and core.

- "A" Day—Upper Body + Core
- "B" Day—Lower Body

Rest Day: Allows your body time to fully recover and grow. This does not mean relaxing all day, but means taking a break from workouts. Rest days are crucial in all training!

Long-Run: Aerobic endurance training. Run the scheduled distance at a pace you can sustain throughout the entire run with taking minimal stops/walk breaks.

Walk/Run: Walk at a brisk pace for the prescribed number of minutes and then transition to a running pace for the prescribed number of minutes. Continue that pattern for the entire scheduled time.

Food and Nutrition to Properly Train for a Race

Before Workouts:

Carbohydrates are fuel for your "engine", otherwise known as your body! The harder you work, the more carbs you need to fuel yourself! Ideally, you should fuel your body 1-3 hours prior to a workout – depending on how your body tolerates food before exercise. Remember to also stay hydrated with plenty of water! Here are some great pre-workout fuel ideas:

- A peanut butter and banana or PBJ sandwich
- Light Yogurt with berries
- Oatmeal with low-fat milk and fruit
- Sliced apple with peanut or almond butter
- Handful of nuts and raisins (two parts raisins: one part nuts)

After Workouts:

Your body is using stored energy in your muscles to complete a workout, so it is important to replenish the nutrients lost as soon as possible. Try to eat a healthy combination of carbohydrates and protein within 15 minutes of a workout to allow your muscles to rebuild and repair. Don't forget to drink plenty of water along with your post-workout meal! Some great post-workout meal ideas are:

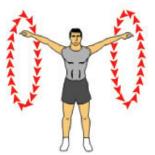
- Post-workout recovery smoothie (made with low-fat milk and fruit)
- Sliced turkey on a whole-grain wrap with veggies
- Light yogurt with fruit & granola
- Eggs and veggies on whole wheat toast



Dynamic Stretching	Static Stretching		
Performed BEFORE Exercise	Performed AFTER exercise		
Used for warm-up	Used for cooldown		
Mimics sports related movements	Improves Flexibility		
Increases joint range of motion	Improves Breathing		
Gets one mentally prepared	Corrects muscle imbalances		



Arms across chest 15-20 reps



Full arm circles 10 - 15 reps in each direction both arms



Shoulder Twists - 10-15 reps on each side



Side Bends - 10 on each side



Hip Rotations 10-15 in each direction



Lunges - 8-10 on each leg



Leg Swings front and back 10-15 times each leg



Leg Swings side to side 10-15 times each leg

Static Stretching (Below) & Dynamic Stretching (Left)



Strength Exercises











Push ups

Wall push ups

Triceps dips

Shoulder taps

Inch worms











High knees

Skater lunges

Lunge + knee drive

Squat

Sumo Squat











Plank

Burpees

Wall sit

Mountain climbers

Kickbacks







Leg circles



Bridges

February 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
16 Rest day	17 Walk/Run	18 "Long Run"	19 Strength Training	20 Rest day	21 Strength Training	22 Walk/Run
	10 minutes	¼ (0.25) miles straight	"A" Day		"B" Day	10 minutes
23 Rest day	24 Walk/Run 12 minutes	25 "Long Run" ½ (0.5) miles straight	26 Strength Training "A" Day	27 Rest day	28 Strength Training "B" Day	29 Walk/Run 12 minutes



Begin and end each workout with a warmup/dynamic stretching and a cool-down/static stretching!

Sunday: Rest day

Monday: In-person training session offered!! -OR- Run/Walk

 Complete the distance specified in the calendar by alternating running for 1 minutes and walking for 30 seconds

Tuesday: Long Run

 Run the distance specified in the calendar...try your best not to walk!

Wednesday: Strength A—5 rounds

- 10 jumping jacks
- 4 push-ups (if done on the wall, do 7)
- 10 triceps dips
- 10 shoulder taps
- 5 inch worms

Thursday: Rest day

Friday: Strength B— 5 rounds

- 10 high knees
- 8 skater lunges (each side)
- 5 lunge + knee drive (both sides)
- 10 squats
- 10 sumo squats

Saturday: Run/Walk

 Complete the distance specified in the calendar by alternating running for 1 minutes and walking for 30 seconds

March 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Rest day	Walk/Run 14 minutes	"Long Run" 1/2 (0.5) miles straight	Strength Training "A" Day	Rest day	Strength Training "B" Day	Walk/Run 14 minutes
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Rest day	Walk/Run 15 minutes	"Long Run" % (0.75) miles straight	Strength Training "A" Day	Rest day	Strength Training "B" Day	Walk/Run 15 minutes
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Rest day	Walk/Run 17 minutes	"Long Run" ¾ (0.75) miles straight	Strength Training "A" Day	Rest day	Strength Training "B" Day	Walk/Run 17 minutes
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Rest day	Walk/Run 18 minutes	"Long Run" 1 mile straight	Strength Training "A" Day	Rest day	Strength Training "B" Day	Walk/Run 18 minutes
29	30	31				
Rest day	Walk/Run 20 minutes	"Long Run" 1 mile straight		-		

Begin and end each workout with a warmup/dynamic stretching and a cool-down/static stretching!

Sunday: Rest day

Monday: In-person training session offered!! -OR- Run/Walk

 Complete the distance specified in the calendar by alternating running for 1½ minutes and walking for 1 minute

Tuesday: Long Run

 Run the distance specified in the calendar...try your best not to walk!

Wednesday: Strength A—5 rounds

- 10 jumping jacks
- 7 push-ups (if done on the wall, do 12)
- 12 second plank
- 10 shoulder taps
- 10 mountain climbers

Thursday: Rest day

Friday: Strength B— 5 rounds

- 10 jumping jacks
- 10 squats
- 10 lunges (both sides)
- 5 burpees
- 1-minute wall sit

Saturday: Run/Walk

 Complete the distance specified in the calendar by alternating running for 1½ minutes and walking for 1 minute





April 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
			Strength Training "A" Day	Rest Day	Strength Training "B" Day	Walk/Run 22 minutes
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Rest day	Walk/Run 24 minutes	"Long Run" 1.5 miles straight	Strength Training "A" Day	Rest day	Strength Training "B" Day	Walk/Run 26 minutes
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Rest day	Walk/Run 28 minutes	"Long Run" 2 miles straight	Strength Training "A" Day	Rest day	Strength Training "B" Day	Walk/Run 30 minutes
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Rest day	Walk/Run 32 minutes	"Long Run" 2 miles straight	Strength Training "A" Day	Rest day	Strength Training "B" Day	Walk/Run 32 minutes
26	27	28	29	30		
Rest day	Walk/Run 35 minutes	"Long Run" 2.5 miles straight	Strength Training "A" Day	Rest day		

Begin and end each workout with a warmup/dynamic stretching and a cool-down/static stretching!

Sunday: Rest day

Monday: In-person training session offered!!

-OR- Run/Walk

 Complete the distance specified in the calendar by alternating running for 2 minute and walking for 1 minute

Tuesday: Long Run

• Run the distance specified in the calendar...try your best not to walk!

Wednesday: Strength A—5 rounds

- 10 jumping jacks
- 10 push-ups (if done on the wall, do 17)
- 15 second plank
- 5 shoulder taps—left & right
- 10 mountain climbers

Thursday: Rest day

Friday: Strength B— 5 rounds

- 10 jumping jacks
- 5 jump squats
- 10 kickbacks—left & right
- 10 fire-hydrants— left & right
- 10 leg circles left & right / forward & back

Saturday: Run/Walk

 Complete the distance specified in the calendar by alternating running for 2 minute and walking for 1 minute

May 2020

SUNDA	Y MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
					Strength Training "B" Day	Walk/Run 37 minutes
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Rest day	Walk/Run 40 minutes	Easy walk/run 30 min	Strength Training "A" Day	Rest day	Strength Training "B" Day	Easy walk 15 minutes
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Race Day!	!					



RACE DAY PREPERATION!!!

- Get a good night's sleep!
- Stay hydrated with plenty of water!!
- Eat a good breakfast with carbohydrates and protein. Make sure the food you choose is familiar food that you have eaten before training sessions to avoid an upset stomach.
- Relax & HAVE FUN!!

Begin and end each workout with a warmup/dynamic stretching and a cool-down/static stretching!

Sunday: Rest day

Monday: In-person training session offered!!

-OR- Run/Walk

 Complete the distance specified in the calendar by alternating running for 1 minute and walking for 1 minute

Tuesday: Easy walk/run

 Don't push too hard, as you will be racing in a few days!

Wednesday: Strength A—5 rounds

- 10 jumping jacks
- 10 push-ups (if done on the wall, do 17)
- 15 second plank
- 10 shoulder taps—each side
- 10 mountain climbers

Thursday: Rest day

Friday: Strength B— 5 rounds

- 10 jumping jacks
- 10 lunges (both sides)
- 10 bridges

Saturday: Easy walk

 This should be very easy—just a way to keep your muscles loose for the next day's BIG RACE!