

A GUIDE TO WALK DAY



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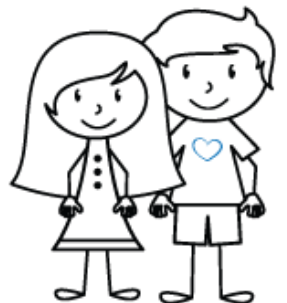
Sunday, October 29, 2017

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On October 29, I get to go to the **Autism Speaks Walk!**

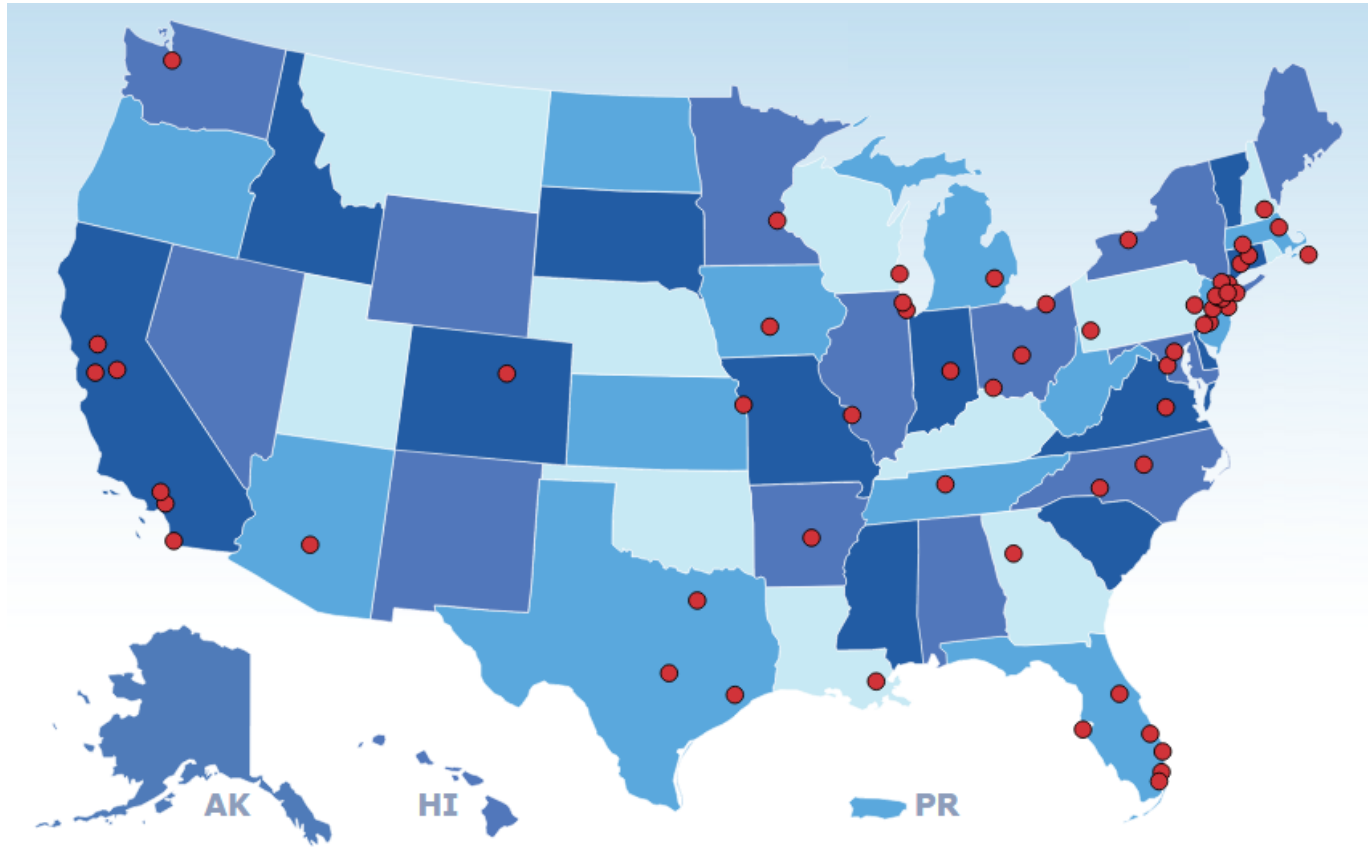
It will be **so much FUN** and **such a SPECIAL day** for my family and me!





Autism Speaks Walks bring the community together to have fun and raise money that goes towards helping people with autism of all ages with lots of different strengths and abilities!





Autism Speaks
Walks take place all
across the United
States – almost 60
different places!



My **Walk** will be at Vitruvian Park!



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The **Walk** festivities will take place on a parking lot right next to the route entrance.



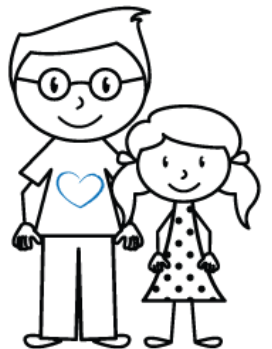
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I will drive to the **Walk** with my family. There will be a big parking lot with lots of cars. I will make sure to hold hands with someone when we walk to the registration tent!

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When I get to the **Walk**, I will see lots of tents, signs and people.



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My **Walk** might even have 3,000 people there! That is a LOT of people who are getting together to have fun and help out.

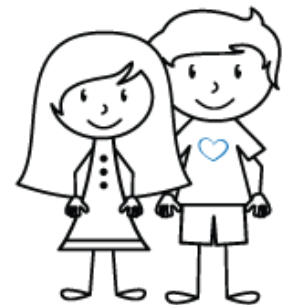


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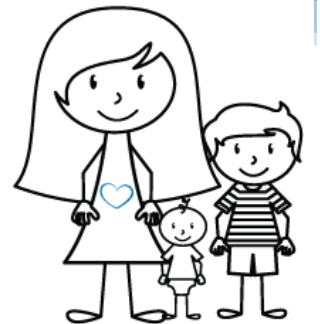
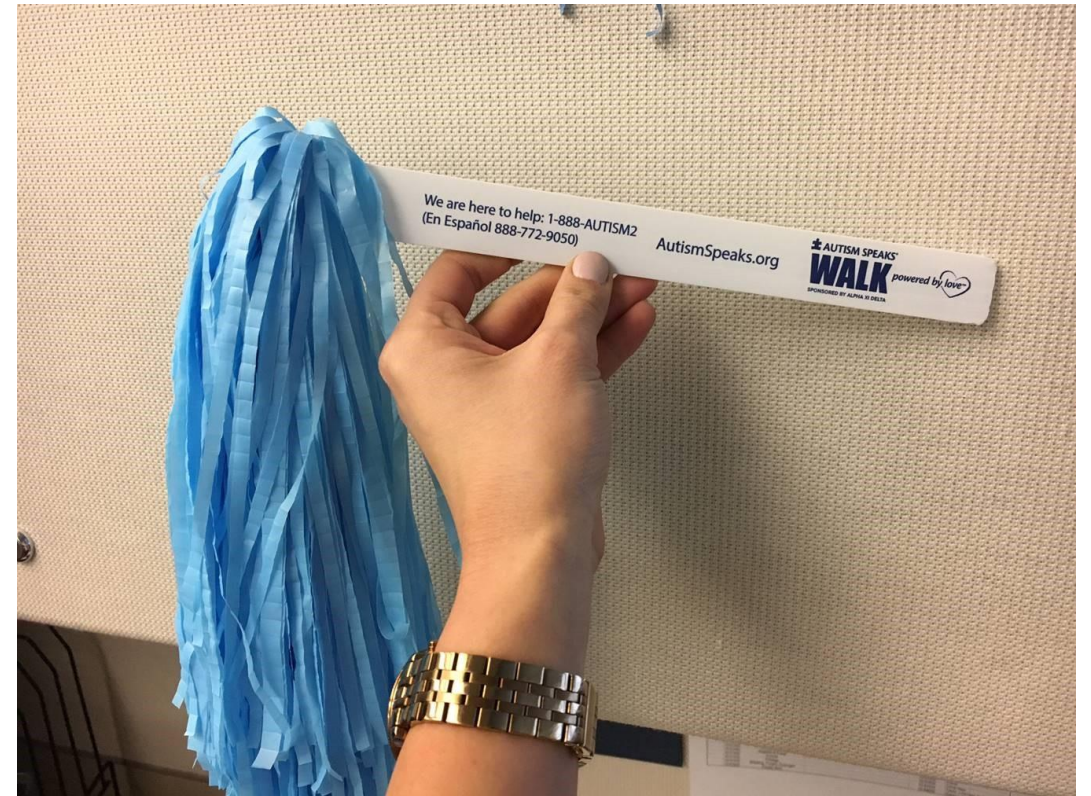


First we will go to the registration tent, where there might be a line because lots of people will be there to turn in the donations they raised to help people with autism. Once we get signed in, it's time to have fun!



At the registration table, all of the **Walk** participants will get a very cool blue pom pom!

The pom pom is a sensory-friendly way to “clap” and show excitement without the noise!





FRONT

BACK

Some people will get t-shirts in line if they raise a certain amount of money from their family and friends for the **Autism Speaks Walk!**



At the **Walk**, there will be a big stage where there will be people speaking. There might even be people singing and dancing to music!



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There will be a lot of fun games and activities that I can try if I want to. It's okay if I would rather not play though. I can just rest with my family too.



Some of the fun games at the Kids Zone include face painting, tattoos, coloring, dancing and lots more!



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The **Walk** will also have people dressed up in costumes. I don't need to be scared though, even though some might have masks or face paint on. They are all very nice people who are trying to help everyone laugh and have fun!



I can even take a photo with them if I want to!



There will also be lots of music, clapping and announcements. But I can wear my headphones or go inside a special tent where it will be quiet.



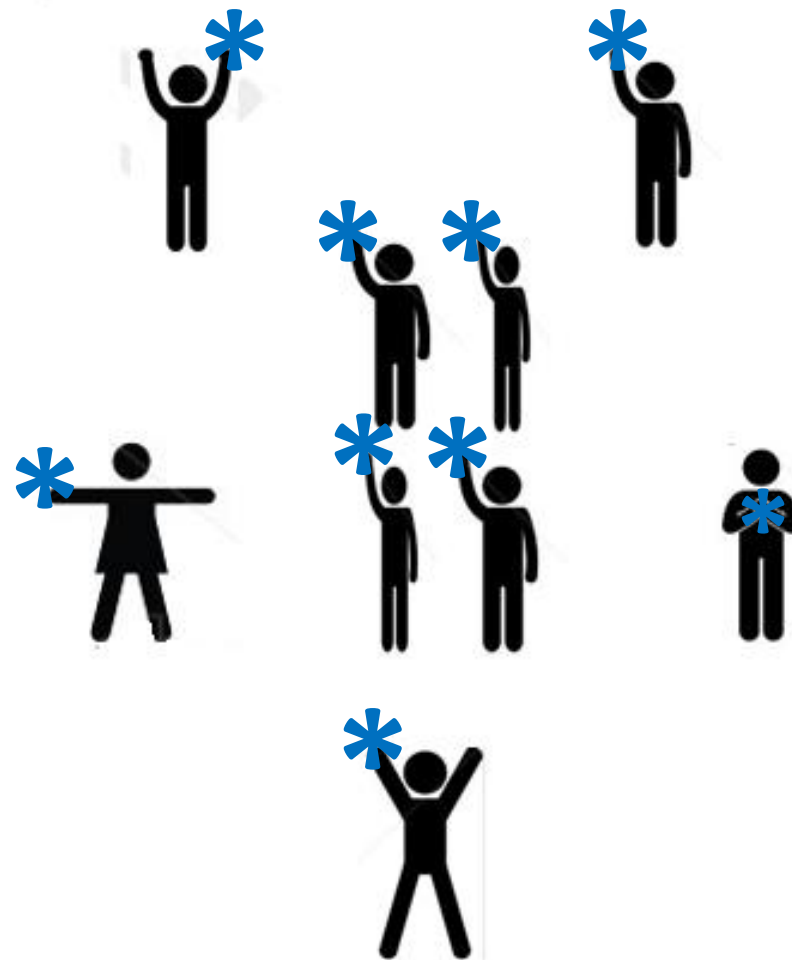


Water and snacks like Frito Lay chips, bananas and granola bars will be there if I get hungry or thirsty. I can also bring my own snacks and drinks if I want.



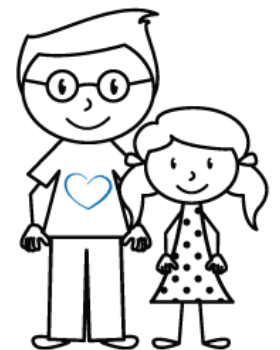
Before the **Walk** starts, there will be a mission moment where all of the people will move their pom poms in different ways to celebrate how autism is special to us.

Then we will all raise them together before the countdown to the **Walk** begins!





When the **Walk** starts, we will move to the starting line and walk around the campus with all of the people. The **Walk** is about 3 miles and will take about 1 hour.



The **Walk** will happen even if it's raining. If it does rain, I might have to wear a raincoat or boots, or hold an umbrella. There are places at the **Walk** where I can stay dry, too.





I will hold a grown up's hand and stay close to my family during the **Walk**. If I get lost, there will be lots of helpers to help me find my family. I will go to the stage or look for people with light blue t-shirts and big headsets on.

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Along the way, there will be lots of people cheering my family and me on as we walk.

At the finish line, there will be a party where lots of people will be celebrating that we have completed the **Walk!**



I can go to the after party and dance, play games or get some food or water if I want to. I can also go home after a fun day at the **Autism Speaks Walk!**



I am so excited to go to the **Autism Speaks Walk**. It will be a lot of fun!

