



Mississippi
Blues Marathon

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2022 MS Blues Marathon Athlete Guide

Saturday * February 19, 2022

7:30am Sharp

Marathon, Half Marathon, 10K, 5K, Mara. Relay





Welcome to The Blues!

The 15th annual Mississippi Blues Marathon is just about here! Our new home in downtown Jackson, Mississippi will be from the grounds of the Mississippi State Capitol Green Space.

Let's all be safe and let's follow the safety regulations in place at this event for everyone's benefit. Stay Safe, Stay Fit and Stay Healthy when you visit the home of the Blues!!!

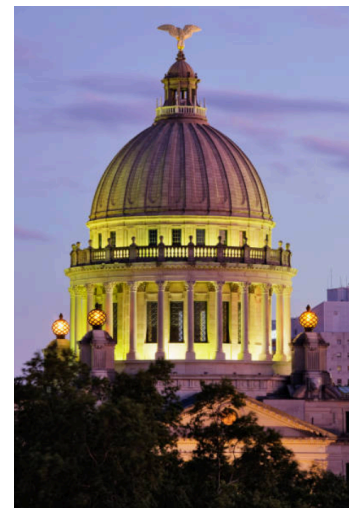
#RunTheBlues

Get official race information on Facebook at www.facebook.com/MississippiBluesMarathon or on Twitter @msbluesmarathon



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Presenting Sponsor - Continental Tire

Premier Event Management is proud to announce that Continental Tire has extended its run with the Mississippi Blues Marathon for three more years.

“Premier Event Management could not be happier for the local running community, our staff, volunteers, and the City of Jackson, to continue this partnership with a truly Global Partner in Continental Tire,” stated Bill Burke, race director and owner of the MS Blues Marathon. “We love having an active partner in Continental Tire because they provide so much towards this event and the community. The outstanding partnership includes having over 100 of its employees participating in this year’s Blues Marathon and its other related events,” stated Burke.

“Our partnership with the Mississippi Blues Marathon is not just an investment in the community; it’s an investment in our employees,” said Ryal Siem, Continental Tires Plant Manager in Clinton. “We race, volunteer, and have brunch together with our families. The Mississippi Blues Marathon is an enjoyable event for everyone, and we want to ensure that it continues.”

The 15th Annual Blues Marathon will be held on Saturday, February 19, 2022. To register for both events, visit www.msbluesmarathon.events



Please Thank All Our Sponsors



Schedule of Events | Pre-Race

Mississippi State Capitol 400 High Street, Jackson, MS 39201	
Friday, February 18, 2022	
11:00 am – 6:00 pm	Packet Pick Up, New Registration
Saturday, February 19, 2022 – RACE DAY	
5:45 am – 7:15 am	Packet Pick Up
8:30am – 2:00pm	Post Event Party

Items needed for Packet Pick Up

1. Photo id
2. A Copy of your Driver's License if you are picking up a packet for another athlete!
3. Patience
4. Your Smiling face

Waivers

All athletes are required to sign a waiver upon registering for the race. Additional waivers will be available at packet pick up if your name is flagged as "WAIVER NOT SIGNED"

Parking (Packet Pick Up)

Parking is available to all athletes in many of the local parking lots in and around the Mississippi State Capitol East Plaza.

Registration Changes

The registration team will accommodate all requests at the Solutions Table at Packet-Pick-Up. If there is a price difference for upgrading the category, the difference will be due at packet pick up.

Schedule of Events | Race Day Information

START FINISH LINE	
Mississippi State Capitol Complex 400 High Street St. Jackson, MS 39201	
Saturday, February 19, 2022	
6:30 am	Gear Check Opens
7:25 am	National Anthem
7:30am	Marathon, Half Marathon, and Marathon Relay Start
8:00am	10K & 5K
11:00 am	ONLY – Overall Awards Presented on Stage
2:30 pm	Gear Check Closes

Race Day Start / Finish Location

The Start/Finish area is located at the Mississippi State Capitol Complex located at George Street & Congress Street, Jackson, MS, 39201.

Race Day Parking

There is plenty of parking all around the start/finish area. There are many parking lots in and around the Mississippi State Capitol and all metered parking downtown is free on weekends. We recommend that you leave valuables invisible in your car during the race.

Gear Check

Gear check is located in the area near the Packet Pick-Up. Please look for the Gear Check Signs! Gear Check will be open from 6:30 am – 2:30 pm race day. Any items not claimed after 2:30 pm will be donated to local charities.

Race Results

Race Results will be posted and updated throughout the day on the events web site. Just go to: msbluesmarathon.events

After the Race

Join us at the Mississippi State Capitol Green Space near the Capitol for the post event celebration. Live music, fresh fruit, snacks, Red Beans & Rice or Jambalaya and Budweiser Beer will be served.

Restrooms

There will be portable restrooms near the start / finish line and at every aid station on course as well as units at the start/finish line for your convenience!

Relay Information

Relay Exchange zones will be marked with the proper signage for that location. There is plenty of parking around all the following handoff points.

Exchange #1 (Mile 5) | Dr. Robert Smith Parkway & Minerva Street – Park on Minerva Street

Exchange #2 (Mile 10) | North State Street & Dunbar Street. Street Parking is available.

Exchange #3 (Mile 15) | West Pearl Street & South Mill Street. Parking is available on South Mill Street.

Exchange #4 (Mile 20) | North State Street & Carlisle Street – Parking is available on Carlisle Street

Parking is available at all four relay exchange locations. Each team member receives a finisher medal at the finish line. We encourage all team members to meet downtown and run the last few blocks with their final runner to get a finisher's picture of the entire team and receive their finisher medals together at the finish line.

Aid Stations / Bands / Bathrooms

Aid Stations are located roughly at every 2.0 miles through the course. Every Station will offer water and Gatorade Endurance, Energy Gels are offered at mile 6 on the half marathon route and at miles 16 and 18 on the marathon courses second loop. These locations will also host our live band performances along the route as well as our restroom locations on course!

Race Route

Turn-by-turn directions may be found on the race day & course info page at msbluesmarathon.events

Awards

- Overall and Age Group Awards
- Overall, Master, Grand Masters and Age Group places will be awarded three deep. **Only Overall Awards will be presented on stage at 11:00.**
- Marathon and Half Marathon will be given awards for Male and Female in 5-year increments.
- 10K and 5K will be given awards for Male and Female in 10-year increments starting with age 20. Athletes under 20 will be separated as 13-15, 16-19 and 12 & under.

Post Race

Check the website after the race for post-race information...

Have your bib number ready and visit our website for your finish line photos and race results:

Photos: msbluesmarathon.events/photos/

Results: msbluesmarathon.events/results/

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MississippiBluesMarathon>

Twitter: @msbluesmarathon



The MS Blues Marathon adds a variety of Food Trucks to the 2022 event!

**Bring the entire family and
enjoy the 2022 MS Blues
Marathon, presented by
Continental Tire and hosted by
our friends at Visit Jackson!**



MS Blues Marathon Course: Double Loop is USATF Certified

Athletes will run through the finish line to begin 2nd loop of Half Marathon Course

Map My Run Link Below!

<https://www.mapmyrun.com/routes/view/4836298285>



MS Blues Marathon
Marathon – Double Loop of Half Marathon Course
Half Marathon & Mara. Relay 7:30am

Event Start & Finish
George Street & Congress Street

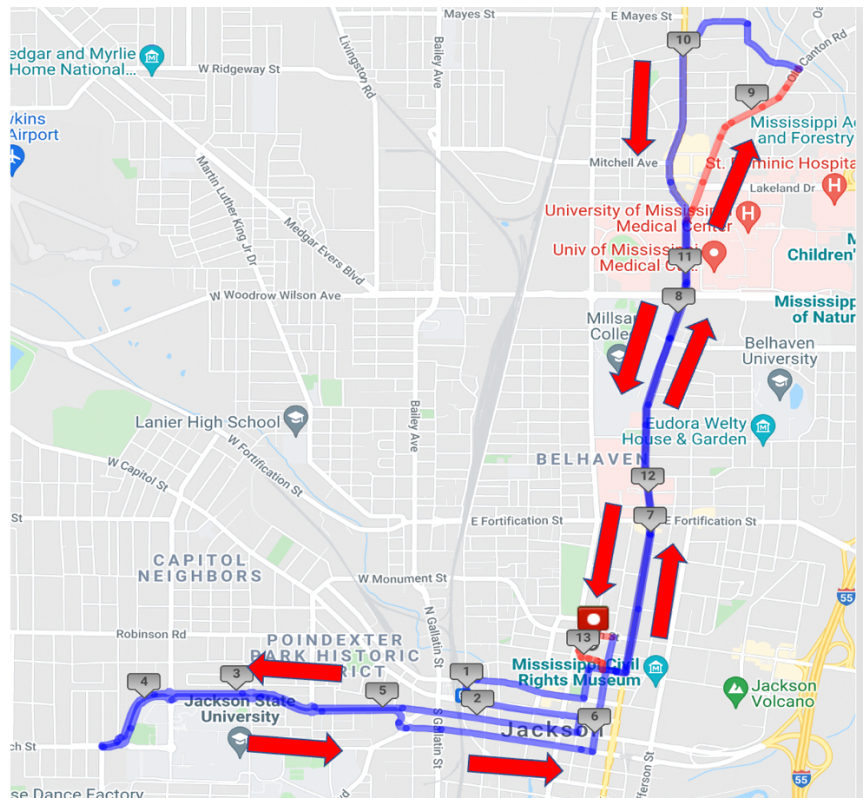
Relay Exchange Points – Mile 5, 10, 15, 20

Mile 5 – Dr. Robert Smith Parkway & Minerva Street

Mile 10 – N. State & Dunbar Street

Mile 15 – West Pearl Street & South Mill Street

Mile 20 – North State Street & Carlisle Street



MS Blues Half Marathon Course is USATF Certified

Map My Run Link Below!

<https://www.mapmyrun.com/routes/view/4836298285>

MS Blues Marathon
Marathon – Double Loop of Half Marathon Course
Half Marathon & Mara. Relay 7:30am

Event Start & Finish
George Street & Congress Street

Relay Exchange Points – Mile 5, 10, 15, 20

Mile 5 – Dr. Robert Smith Parkway & Minerva Street

Mile 10 – N. State & Dunbar Street

Mile 15 – West Pearl Street & South Mill Street

Mile 20 – North State Street & Carlisle Street

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Race Course Turn by Turn – Half Marathon Marathon – Double Loop of Half Marathon

Start on George Street at intersection with Congress Street

Turn Left onto North West Street

Turn Right on High Street

Turn Left onto North Lamar Street

Turn Right onto Amite Street

Turn Left onto N. Mill Street

Turn Left onto Capitol Street

Turn right onto Congress Street

Turn Right onto East Pearl Street

Run on West Pearl to Dr. Robert Smith Parkway – Heading West

Run around traffic circle near Jackson State University

Make U-Turn at Valley Street on far western side of the course

Run on Dr. Robert Smith Parkway – Heading East, take traffic circle onto West Pascagoula St. to East Pascagoula St.

East Pascagoula St. to a left turn onto President Street

President Street to a right turn onto Mississippi Street

Left turn onto State Street with runners in curb lane

Right Turn onto Old Canton Road

Left Turn onto Avondale Street

Right turn onto Kings Highway

Left Turn onto Arrowhead Drive followed by a slight Left onto Warrior Trail

Left turn onto N. State Street

Right onto Mississippi Street

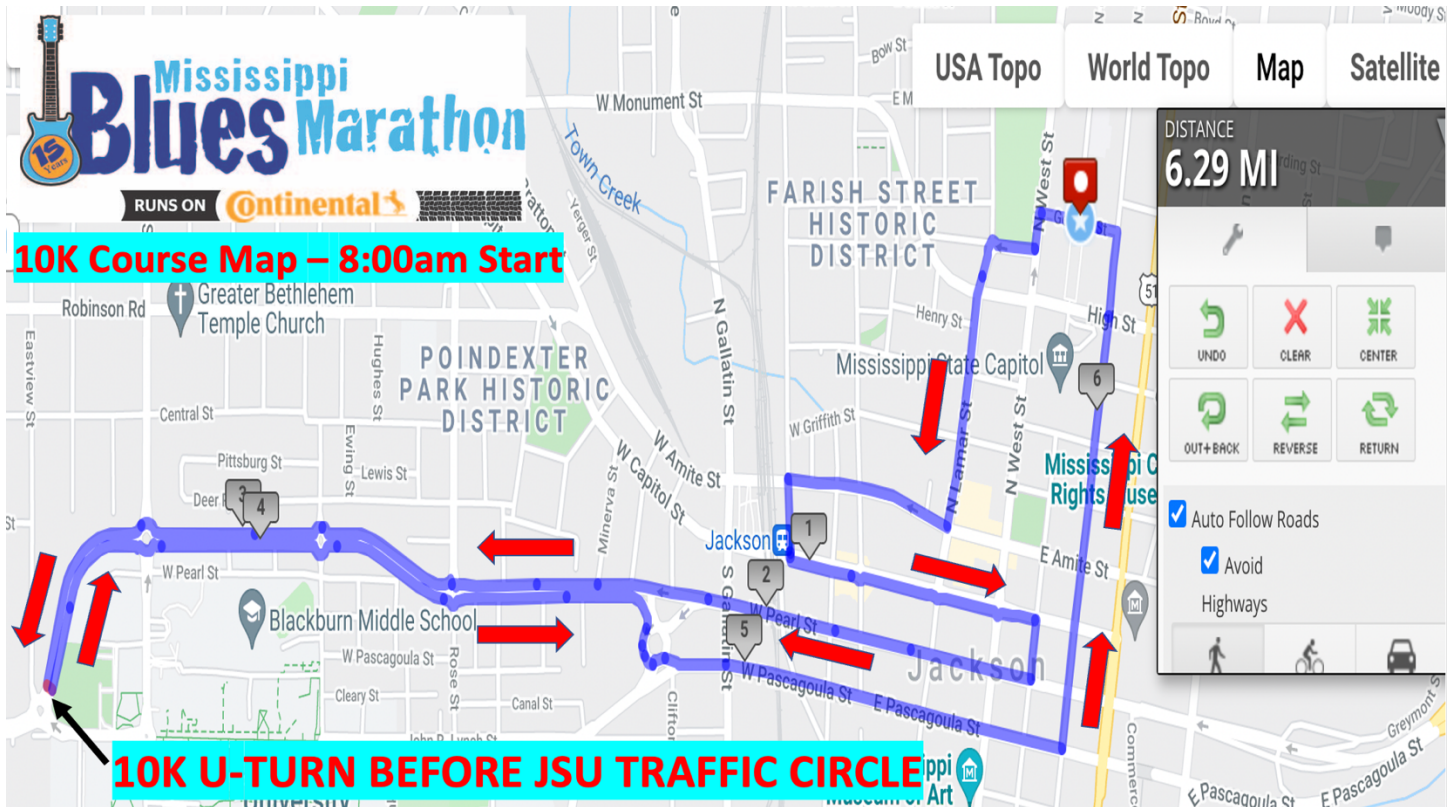
Right onto President Street

Left onto George Street to Finish

MS Blues 10K Course

Map my Run Link Below!

<https://www.mapmyrun.com/routes/edit/4836286168/>



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Race Course Turn by Turn – 10K Road Race

Start on George Street ay Congress Street

Turn Left onto North West Street

Turn Right on High Street

Turn Left onto North Lamar Street

Turn Right onto Amite Street

Turn Left onto N. Mill Street

Turn Left onto Capitol Street

Turn right onto Congress

Turn Right onto East Pearl Street

Run on West Pearl to Dr. Robert Smith Parkway – Heading West

MAKE 10K U-TURN BEFORE TRAFFIC CIRCLE AT JSU

Run on Dr. Robert Smith Parkway – Heading East Take traffic circle onto West Pascagoula St. to East Pascagoula St.

East Pascagoula St. take a left turn onto President Street

President Street, cross High Street and a left turn at George Street to Finish Line.

Race Course Turn by Turn – 5K Road Race

Start on George Street and Congress Street

Turn Left onto North West Street

Turn Right on High Street

Turn Left onto North Lamar Street

Turn Right onto Amite Street

Turn Left onto N. Mill Street

Turn Left onto Capitol Street

Turn Right onto Congress

Turn Right onto East Pearl Street

Turn Left onto S. Mill Street

Turn Left onto East Pascagoula Street

Left turn onto President Street

President Street, cross High Street and a left turn at George Street to Finish Line.

GOOD LUCK RUNNER!!!

LEAP WITH US INTO THE 2023 MS BLUES
MARATHON WEEKEND ON SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 25TH, 2023!!! NEW DATE, BUT
SAME GREAT BLUES!

