

Important runner information

Jack 15 — Sept. 20, 2025



Packet pickup

- **Friday, Sept. 19** — 4-7 p.m. in the southeast corner of the Sanford-Jackrabbit Athletic Center on the SDSU campus.
- **Saturday, Sept. 20** — 7 to 8:15 a.m. in White. Use the east entrance of the Deubrook High School gym (100 School Ave., two blocks west and one block south of starting line).

Race start

- 8:30 a.m. for individuals and relay teams.
- Those in need of an early start should contact the race director.

'Almost Heaven, West Virginia'

A commemorative coin has been minted for runners who complete both of the nation's 15-milers—the Jack 15 and the Charleston (W.Va.) Distance Run. The runs can be completed in separate years and done as a relay. Make plans to travel to West Virginia in 2026 to earn your medal! A handful of West Virginians will receive their medal in 2025.

Amenities

- Aid stations with water and Powerade at miles 3.5, 6, 9 (also orange slices), 12 (also chocolate chip cookies) and 14.5.
- Porta-potties by funeral home near the starting area, at miles 3.5, 7.6 and 12. The art museum just north of the finish line also is providing its restroom to the Jack 15.
- Bag drop at the school and near the start line. Bags taken to refreshments area at finish.
- Showers available at the SDSU Wellness Center, northeast of finish line. Runners must furnish their own towels. Parking available in the north lot.
- Complimentary runner adjustments, pre- and postrace, provided by Willert Chiropractic at the Campanile, from 7:20 a.m. to race completion.

Proceeds:

- Race proceeds help fund the Prairie Striders/Phil LaVallee Scholarship, which goes to a SDSU distance runner

If you're not running

The race is run on County Road 25, a paved road going south out of White, and County Road 8, a dirt and paved road going west until it reaches Road 471 / Medary Avenue (old Highway 77), which runs to the finish line.

There is virtually no shoulder on Road 25 and the course will be crowded at this point. Please consider waiting a few miles before cheering on your runner. If you're transporting relay runners, please drop off the runner at Mile 3 and head to Road 8 (about 3 ½ miles) to cheer on your team.

Transportation

- Traffic will be controlled at the Highway 30 and Highway 14 intersections. All roads on the course remain open to traffic.
- A Bible Baptist Church van will leave at 7 and 7:45 a.m. from the Campanile (finish line, 900 block of Medary Ave.) to Deubrook High School gym (100 School Ave., two blocks west and one block south of starting line). A Boys & Girls Club bus will leave at 7:30 a.m.
- No transportation provided between relay exchange points.

Results and prizes:

- **Individuals:** In an 11 a.m. ceremony at the Campanile, we will honor the top three placers male and female, open and masters, as well as the overall male and female champions.

Certificates for the top three placers in age groups, male and female, will be emailed. Results will be posted on a table near the door prizes.

- **Relay teams:** Certificates and T-shirts to champions for male, female and coed in each relay division. Results will be on a table near the door prizes. Shirts, separated by size, will be in boxes by the door prizes. Teams should serve themselves. Certificates will be emailed.
 - **Door prizes:** Check the poster at the refreshment table to see if you won a door prize.
 - **Full results will be posted** later in the weekend at PrairieStriders.net & raceentry.com.
 - **Historical results:** Jack 15 results from 1963 through 2024 can be found at: <http://www.praiestriders.net/jack-15---all-time-history-results.html>
 - **Photos:** 2025 race photos taken by Dennis Helder. They can be found at: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/smbbsBEySAeyvjTt9>
- A clickable link is on the Jack 15 webpage at PrairieStriders.net. Scroll far down the page.

Course notes:

The course was recertified through USA Track & Field in 2021. Miles are marked with an American flag, a cone and pavement markings, which mark the exact mile point. At Miles 9 and 15, a bridge and the sidewalk prevent the flag from being at the exact mile point.

Kids run:

10:45 a.m. Open to all children through age 12. Distances: .1 mile for 5 and younger; .25 mile for ages 6-8; .5 mile for ages 9-12. Register, start and finish on the south side of the Campanile. Free entry, free T-shirt. Organized by Miller Wellness Center, Jacob.Heidenreich@sdstate.edu

Race directors: Dave Graves, 605-651-4361; Brett Pettigrew, 605-999-0907.

