

The Citrus County Education Foundation invites you to the 13th Annual



Citrus Kids Triathlon

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The Event

The Citrus County Education Foundation (CCEF) will host the 13th Annual Citrus Kids Triathlon on Saturday, May 2, 2026. The event is a USAT sanctioned event, will be managed by DRC Sports and held in the beautiful Bicentennial Park in Crystal River, FL. Working together with the Citrus County School District to promote the event, CCEF plans to attract hundreds of children and families. The event features three divisions: Junior (Born 2016-2021), Senior (Born 2011-2015) and Tri4Fun open to all ages. Children ages 5-15 can participate in the Age Group divisions. If you just want to TRI a triathlon, then enter the non-competitive Tri4Fun division where adults and children can go together. Sponsors will enjoy marketing benefits before, during and after the event on multiple platforms - all while supporting a great cause.

The Cause

All proceeds benefit the Citrus County Education Foundation, the only 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation whose sole mission is to support public education in Citrus County, FL. Founded in 1988, CCEF is dedicated to encouraging business and community involvement in the public school system, promoting creative and innovative educational programs, fostering excellence in learning, and recognizing outstanding achievements of students and staff. CCEF provides classroom grants for all grades; scholarships for aspiring teachers and high school seniors; classroom technology enhancements; recognition programs for students, teachers and staff; support for science fairs, math field days and student art festivals; *First Library* and *Reading Pals*, CCEF's early literacy initiatives; *Supplies for Success* free teacher store and *Student Resource Rooms*, providing essential supplies to teachers and students; *Book, Line & Thinkers* field trips, *Men Building Men* and *Women Building Women* mentor programs; *Nature Coast Investment Practicum* for financial literacy; and investment in numerous other programs supporting our students and schools.

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Citrus Kids Triathlon 2026 SPONSOR OPPORTUNITIES

ALL SPONSORS will be recognized on CCEF, DRC and Citrus Road Runners websites, on recognition cards in participant gift bags, on the sponsor board displayed at registration, and announced during the race. All sponsors are encouraged to provide sponsor information and/or promotional items in participant gift bags. Additional benefits include:

Title Sponsor, \$7,500 (*Limit of 1 Title Sponsor for event*)

* Sponsor name in race title * Recognition in advertising & post-race press releases * Logo on front & back of tri-shirts * Participation in race opening & closing ceremonies * Additional promotional announcements during event * Logo sign on race course * Logo on back cover of school calendar (reaching the homes of over 15,000 students) * Custom banner displayed at race finish line * Sponsor booth for race day * 12 complimentary race entries

Presenting Sponsor, \$5,000 (*Limit of 1 Presenting Sponsor for event*)

* Sponsor name in race logo * Recognition in post-race press releases * Sponsor name on front tri-shirts * Logo on front tri-shirts * Participation in race opening * Additional promotional announcement during event * Logo sign on race course * Sponsor name on the back cover of school calendar * Sponsor's banner displayed in finish line area * Exhibit space for race day * 10 complimentary race entries

Finisher Medal Sponsor, \$3,500 (*Limit of 1 Finisher Medal Sponsor for event*)

* Sponsor logo on all finisher medals * Prominent placement on back of tri-shirts * Recognition in post-race press releases * Logo sign on race course * Exhibit space for race day * 8 complimentary race entries

Bag Sponsor, \$3,500 (*Limit of 1 Bag Sponsor for event*)

* Sponsor logo on all athlete bags * Prominent placement on back of tri-shirts * Recognition in post-race press releases * Logo sign on race course * Exhibit space for race day * 8 complimentary race entries

Award Sponsor, \$2,500 (*Limit of 1 Award Sponsor for event*)

* Sponsor name on all winner trophies * Sponsor logo on back of tri-shirts * Recognition in post-race press releases * Logo sign on race course * Exhibit space for race day * 6 complimentary race entries

Swim Sponsor, \$2,500 (*Limit of 1 Swim Sponsor for event*)

* Sponsor name on all swim caps * Sponsor logo on back of tri-shirts * Recognition in post-race press releases * Logo sign on race course * Exhibit space for race day * 6 complimentary race entries

Run Sponsor, \$2,500 (*Limit of 1 Run Sponsor for event*)

* Sponsor name on all bibs * Sponsor logo on back of tri-shirts * Recognition in post-race press releases * Logo sign on race course * Exhibit space for race day * 6 complimentary race entries

Bike Sponsor, \$1,500 (*Limit of 1 Bike Sponsor for event*)

* Sponsor's banner in bike area * Sponsor logo on back of tri-shirts * Logo sign on race course * Exhibit space for race day * 4 complimentary race entries

Finish Line, \$1,500 (*Limit of 1 Finisher Line Sponsor for event*)

* Sponsor's banner in finish line area * Hand out bottles of water to participants at finish line * Sponsor logo on back of tri-shirts * Logo sign on race course * Exhibit space for race day * 4 complimentary race entries

Cool Station Sponsor, \$1,500 (*Limit of 1 Cool Station Sponsor for event*)

* Sponsor signage at Cool Station Tent for triathletes * Hand out water at station * Sponsor logo on back of tri-shirts * Logo sign on race course * Exhibit space for race day * 4 complimentary race entries

Kid Zone Sponsor, \$1,500 (*Limit of 1 Kid Zone Sponsor for event*)

* Sponsor signage at Kid Zone * Hand out water & prizes at kid zone * Sponsor logo on back of tri-shirts * Logo sign on race course * Exhibit space for race day * 4 complimentary race entries

Water Station A Sponsor, \$1,500 (*Limit of 1 Water Station A Sponsor for event*)

* Sponsor signage at Water Station A (on Junior, Senior & Tri4Fun Courses) * Hand out cups of water at water station * Sponsor logo on back of tri-shirts * Logo sign on race course * Exhibit space for race day * 4 complimentary race entries

Water Station B Sponsor, \$1,000 (*Limit of 1 Water Station B Sponsor for event*)

* Sponsor signage at Water Station B (on Senior Course) * Hand out cups of water at water station * Sponsor name on back of tri-shirts * Logo sign on race course * Exhibit space for race day * 2 complimentary race entries

Expo Sponsor, \$1,000

* Sponsor name on back of tri-shirts * Logo sign on race course * Exhibit space for race day * 2 complimentary race entries

Racing Sponsor, \$500

* Recognition in post-race press releases * 2 complimentary race entries

Participating Sponsor, \$250



Citrus Kids Triathlon 2026 SPONSOR AGREEMENT

Name of Company, Organization, or Individual as it should appear in promotional material:

Contact Name & Email _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone # _____ Alternate phone # (after business hours) _____

Website _____

*** Sponsorship Level:**

Title Presenting Finisher Medal Bag Award Swim Run Bike Finish Line

Cool Station Kid Zone Water Station A Water Station B Expo Racing Participating

* Will you participate in the event expo? Yes No. If yes, you will be provided a 10x10 exhibit space and are responsible for bringing your own table/chairs (Note: CCEF will provide table/tent/chairs for Title Sponsor). Name of organization members attending expo:

* Will you be providing sponsor information and/or promotional items for participant gift bags? Yes No. If yes, please describe gift bag items:

Other in-kind donations (please describe): _____

Approximate Value: \$ _____

* Will members of your organization participate in the triathlon? (Please note # of complimentary race entries for select sponsor levels)

Yes No If yes, # of participating members? _____. Please list names of participating members (both complimentary & paid):

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ Check # _____ T-shirt Size _____ (One free)

The Citrus County Education Foundation, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Contributions are tax-deductible. A confirmation letter/receipt will be sent to donors after full payment is received. Please make checks payable to: Citrus County Education Foundation, Inc., Attn: KIDS TRIATHLON, P.O. Box 2004, Inverness, FL 34451. SPONSORSHIP DEADLINE AND FULL PAYMENT DUE BY April 22, 2026. Direct questions to: CCEF Director of Finance & Operations Erica Bonner, 352.726.1931 x2240 or bonnere@citrusschools.org

SPONSOR / EXPO PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES. ALL SPONSORS- please submit your logo (JPEG format) and web address as soon as possible for display on CCEF, DRC and Citrus Road Runners sites. Sponsors to provide sponsor banner in advance of race day (custom banner made by CCEF for title sponsor). All sponsor information and promotional items to be included in participant gift bags must be provided by April 28, 2026. EXPO PARTICIPANTS- check-in at Bicentennial Park (by the pool) from 6:00-7:00am on race day (5/2/26). Please bring your own dolly for transport of materials/boxes. The event coordinator will assign you an expo space and direct participants upon arrival. Expo tables/booths must be set up by 7:00am on race day. Please do not pack up your area until 12:00pm (or until instructed, which may be earlier). Electricity is available on a limited, first-come/first-serve basis. If you are granted electricity access, please bring your own extension cords and duct tape. The event chair reserves the right to prohibit any display that is not suitable to the mission of the event. Please keep all set-up materials out of sight or inside your vehicles. You may provide giveaways, food samples (commercially pre-packaged), brochures, coupons, special offers and other promotional items at your table/booth. While you are permitted to sell your own merchandise (with approval from CCEF), handling and accountability of money is solely your responsibility. You are responsible for setup, cleanup, and breakdown of your display area excluding items provided by CCEF. A representative must be present at your booth throughout the event. By signing this form you agree to all participation guidelines for sponsors and expo participation (if applicable). You also agree that you will not hold the Citrus Road Runners, Citrus County Education Foundation, Citrus County School District, Citrus County Board of County Commissioners, City of Crystal River, DRC Sports, Chris Moling, and all other sponsors, the representatives and successors of the event responsible for damage or theft of personal or business articles while participating in the event.

PRINTED NAME _____ SIGNATURE _____ Date _____



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2026 PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION FORM

SCHEDULE

BICENTENNIAL PARK, 8145 W. Bicentennial Park Dr., Crystal River, FL

Friday, May 1, 2026

4:00-6:30pm Mandatory Packet Pick-up & Bike Check-In
Kids Kickoff Party & Walking Course Clinics Every Hour
(Security will be onsite overnight)

Saturday, May 2, 2026 (times may vary based on participation)

7:00am Senior Check-In Opens
7:45am Senior Pre-Race Meeting (Mandatory)
8:00am Senior Division Starts
9:30am Senior Awards Ceremony
9:30am Junior Parking Access Opens
9:30am Junior Check-In Opens
10:15am Junior Pre-Race Meeting (Mandatory)
10:30am Junior Division Starts
11:00am Tri4Fun Division Starts
12:00pm Junior Awards Ceremony

AWARDS

- * Awards given for Top 3 kids in 1 year age groups
- * Every participant receives a custom Finishers Medal

ENTRY FEES

\$25 Pre-Registered by April 19
\$30 Pre-Registered by April 29
\$40 Pre-Registered by May 1

Event shirt & gear bag of goodies for all pre-registered participants. Helmet fitting available at kickoff party on May 1. Bicycles available for use during event upon request (limited supply).

3 EXCITING DIVISIONS

Junior Division

Swim 75 Yards (3 Laps) * Bike 1 1/2 Miles * Run 1/2 Mile
Junior A = Born 2018-2021 * Junior B = Born 2016—2017

Senior Division

Swim 150 Yards (6 Laps) * Bike 3 Miles * Run 1 Mile
Senior A = Born 2014—2015 * Senior B = Born 2011—2013

Tri4Fun Division (All Ages)

Swim 75 Yards (3 Laps) * Bike 1 1/2 Miles * Run 1/2 Mile
This is for kids, adults, families & anyone that wants to participate.
Families & groups can swim, bike & run together!
Just For Fun! NO timing or awards but ALL will receive a Finishers Medal.

DIVISION: JR SR Tri4Fun Physically Challenged

T-SHIRT SIZE: YS YM YL S M L XL XXL

NAME: _____

DOB: _____ / _____ / _____ GENDER: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

EMAIL: _____

PHONE: _____

SCHOOL: _____

BIKE: I will bring my own bike. I need a bike provided.

USA Triathlon # (if applicable): _____

Finisher
Medals

Register: online (www.citruskidstri.com), by mail (DRC Sports, P.O. Box 70, Inverness, FL 34451) or turn in this form & payment to your school.



Please make checks payable to: CCEF. Amount Enclosed \$ _____ Check # _____

RELEASE WAIVER: I understand that Entry Fees are Non-Refundable & Non-Transferable. In consideration of accepting this entry, I, the undersigned, intending to be legally bound, hereby, for myself, my child, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims for losses and damages I may have against DRC Sports, the City of Crystal River, Citrus County Education Foundation, the sponsors of the race and/or officials of said event, volunteers, town, police, lifeguard, fire department, and their representatives, successors and assigns for any and all injuries suffered by me in said event. I attest and verify that I am or my child is physically fit and sufficiently trained for the competition of this event, and that a licensed medical doctor has verified my/their physical condition. I know that participating in this event is potentially a hazardous activity. I should not enter unless I am/they are medically able and properly trained. I agree to abide by any decisions of race officials relative to my or my child's ability to safely complete the course. I assume all risks associated with participating in this event including, but not limited to, falls, contact with other participants, the effects of the weather, including heat and/or humidity, traffic and conditions of the road. I understand that the course is open to vehicular traffic and will compete with due care. Further, I hereby grant full permission to any and all of the foregoing to use any email, photographs, videotapes, motion pictures, recording or any other record of this event for any purpose whatsoever.

ONE APPLICATION PER PERSON – All information above must be filled out in order to race

SIGNATURE (Parent if under 18 years of age) _____ Date _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: Name _____ Relation _____ Cell _____

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Register to Volunteer Online at:
www.CitrusKidsTri.com

Position Assigned (Official Use Only): _____

Citrus Kids Triathlon 2026 VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION

NAME: _____

DOB: _____ / _____ / _____

GENDER: _____

T-SHIRT SIZE: ___S ___M ___L ___XL ___XXL

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

EMAIL: _____ PHONE: _____

Preferred Volunteer Position # (see below): _____ 1st Choice _____ 2nd Choice _____ 3rd Choice

Are you able to fill two volunteer positions that do not overlap in time? Yes No

In consideration of accepting this application to volunteer, I, the undersigned, intending to be legally bound, hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims for losses and damages I may have against the sponsors of the race and/or officials of said event, town, police, fire department, and their representatives, successors and assigns for any and all injuries suffered by me in said event. I attest and verify that I am physically fit and not under any medical restrictions or limitations, and that a licensed medical doctor has verified my physical condition. I understand that the course is open to vehicular traffic and will act with due care.

SIGNATURE (Parent if under 18 years of age) _____ Date _____

Position	Day	Time	Position Responsibilities / Minimum # of Volunteers Needed for Position All Positions at BICENTENNIAL PARK 8145 W Bicentennial Park Dr., Crystal River, FL
1) Set Up	Friday, 5/1/26	11:00am-2:00pm	Assist with set up of Tents, Tables, Fencing, Bike Racks, Staging, Finish Line, Barricades & Signage. Must be able to lift/carry at least 40lbs / 5
2) Parking	Friday, 5/1/26	2:30pm-4:30pm	Assist cars into designated/assigned/appropriate parking areas. Volunteer will be issued a Safety Vest / 2
3) Transition Marshal	Friday, 5/1/26	3:30-7:00pm	Control athlete entry to the transition area; provide assistance with bike rack positioning & space allocation; assist athletes with question & technical issues; provide transition support & direction throughout the event / 4
4) Bike Check In	Friday, 5/1/26	3:30-7:00pm	Ensure that all bicycles have working brakes & bar end caps; ensure that only athletes will enter transition area; ensure bicycle number matches athletes bib number when removing their bicycle from transition / 1
5) Registration	Friday, 5/1/26	3:30-7:00pm	Issue athlete packet, t-shirt & hand out goodie bags to each athlete / 5
6) Parking	Saturday, 5/2/26	6:30-11:00am	Assist cars into designated/assigned/appropriate parking areas. Volunteer will be issued a Safety Vest and Flashlight Baton / 5
7) Body Marking	Saturday, 5/2/26	6:30-10:30am	Mark each athlete with a Large Black Marker in the same format as sample provided. You will need to be able to stand & squat frequently while writing on both arms & legs of each athlete. This is used to help identify each athlete as they pass through the course / 5
8) Timing Chips	Saturday, 5/2/26	6:30-10:30am	Issue the appropriate numbered timing chip to the athlete; verify the chip number & confirm athlete is assigned their specific chip; inform athlete to wear the timing chip on left ankle and assist in application, if necessary / 6
9) Athlete Staging	Saturday, 5/2/26	7:00-11:30am	Ensure young athletes stay in numerical order while waiting to start the race. Assist in moving athletes, as a group, from one staging area to another / 2
10) Swim Course Marshal	Saturday, 5/2/26	7:00-11:30am	Under the direction of the Swim Coordinator; must be able to swim, willing to get wet & stay in the water for an extended period of time. Marshals will be stationed in the water along the swim course & will provide encouragement/aid/assistance to swimmers. Provide athlete direction to transition; ensure that spectators stay clear of the athlete pathway from swim exit to transition entrance / 12
11) Bike Marshal	Saturday, 5/2/26	7:00am-12:00pm	Provide athlete direction, encouragement & limited traffic control at various intervals along the bicycle course. Must be 16 or older to volunteer for this task / 33
12) Run Marshal	Saturday, 5/2/26	7:30am-12:00pm	Responsible for providing athlete direction & encouragement at various intervals along the run course. Must be 14 or older to volunteer for this task / 17
13) Water Stations	Saturday, 5/2/26	7:30am-12:00pm	Composed of teams of 3-5 volunteers, provide water to athletes at various intervals throughout the course; setup aid station tent & supplies as shown on outline that will be provided; collect discarded cups & bag for removal / 4
14) Transition Marshal	Saturday, 5/2/26	6:30am-12:00pm	Control athlete entry to the transition area; provide assistance with bike rack positioning & space allocation; assist athletes with questions & technical issues; provide transition support & direction throughout the event; ensure all bicycles leaving transition are removed by the proper athlete as indicated by number match. Must be 18 or older to volunteer for this task / 9
15) Timing Support	Saturday, 5/2/26	7:30am-12:00pm	Provide a manual backup to the chip timing system by recording athlete numbers as they pass through transition points. Must be 16 or older to volunteer for this task / 4
16) Finish Line - Water, Chip Removal, Kid Corral	Saturday, 5/2/26	7:30am-12:00pm	Retrieve timing chip from the athlete's ankle when they cross the finish line; provide bottled water to athletes as they cross the finish line; place finisher medal around the neck of each athlete as they cross the finish line; make sure each child is retrieved by an adult wearing the matching wristband only. After they cross the finish line, athletes will be contained in a tented area where parents can claim their child. Anyone who does not have a matching wristband may not remove a child without speaking to a police officer for verification. Must be 14 or older to volunteer for this task / 8
17) Post Event Food Distribution	Saturday, 5/2/26	7:30am-12:00pm	Have food prepared & available to athletes as they complete the race; must be able to utilize sharp knives; individuals suffering from any illness will not be allowed to prepare food; plastic gloves must be worn at all times / 2
18) Award Preparation	Saturday, 5/2/26	7:30-11:00am	Prepare the trophy awards by age for the award ceremony. Must be 14 or older to volunteer for this task / 1
19) Clean Up	Saturday, 5/2/26	11:00am-1:30pm	Assist DRC Sports with Tents, Tables, Fencing, Bike Racks, Staging, Finish Line, Barricades & Signage. Must be able to lift/carry at least 40lbs / 3
20) Floater	Saturday, 5/2/26	6:00am-12:00pm	Available Saturday to fill into any volunteer position as needed / 1
21) Kid Zone	Saturday, 5/2/26	6:00am-12:30pm	Set-up & supervise Kid Zone area. Kid Zone games & equipment will be provided / 5
22) People Mover	Saturday, 5/2/26	6:45am-11:45am	Drive people-mover (golf cart) to/from parking area from/to registration area, providing transportation assistance to participants & spectators. Must be 21 or older to volunteer for this task / 3