

**MEDIA ALERT**

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**TENTH ANNUAL PATERNO FAMILY BEAVER STADIUM RUN/WALK BENEFITTING SPECIAL OLYMPICS PA SET FOR BLUE WHITE WEEKEND - SUNDAY, APRIL 14TH**

**WHAT:** The 10th Annual Paterno Family Beaver Stadium Run for Special Olympics Pennsylvania (SOPA), presented by the Sheetz family, will be held at Penn State University during Blue White Weekend. Over 3,000 runners and walkers of all ages and abilities will participate in a 5K run or 2 mile family fun walk. The run will begin in the vicinity of the Bryce Jordan Center on Curtin Road, move through Penn State's scenic campus, and conclude with runners racing through the Beaver Stadium Tunnel and onto the Nittany Lions' home turf to "finish at the fifty!" Individuals who are unable to attend in-person, but still want to get involved by fundraising and/or being part of a team, can register as a [Virtual Runner/Walker](#).

**WHEN/WHERE:** Sunday, April 14, 2019, Penn State University, Bryce Jordan Center on Curtin Rd.  
7:30 am - Registration (located at Medlar Field)  
10:15 am - Registration closed  
11:00 am - 5K Start Time  
11:10 am - 2 Mile Fun Walk Start Time  
12:15 pm - Race Course Closed  
12:15 pm - Awards

**WHY:** Proceeds from the Run benefit Special Olympics Pennsylvania and nearly 20,000 children and adults with intellectual disabilities. Every fundraising achievement will help send more athletes to [Summer Games](#) held at Penn State from June 6-8.

**WHO:** The Beaver Stadium Run is a Law Enforcement Torch Run event that includes individuals from law enforcement, SOPA athletes, the Paterno and Sheetz families, various Penn State University groups, members of the community, and hundreds of Sheetz, Inc. employees. Franco Harris, Hall of Fame Steelers Running Back, serves as the official starter for the Run.

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**About Special Olympics Pennsylvania**

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