

WHS 2019-2020 Beginner Level Summer Training Plan



This training plan is intended for those who have never run cross country, and who do not train regularly. This is not an absolute training plan and can be adapted to your schedule. However, those who stick to the plan will be prepared for the fall training program and will preform better at meets. To be successful in the fall, you should be able to run a 5K (3.1 miles) continous when school starts. Find running partners, whether on the team or not.

	50%	50-75%	75%	75%		Uncomfortable	
Week	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun**
1	Rest or run/walk	1.5 mi run	Rest or run/walk	1.5 mi run	Rest	1.5 mi run	30 min walk
2	Rest or run/walk	1.75 mi run	Rest or run/walk	1.5 mi run	Rest	1.75 mi run	35 min walk
3	Rest or run/walk	2 mi run	Rest or run/walk	1.5 mi run	Rest	2 mi run	40 min walk
4	Rest or run/walk	2.25 mi run	Rest or run/walk	1.5 mi run	Rest	2.25 mi run	45 min walk
5	Rest or run/walk	2.5 mi run	Rest or run/walk	2 mi run	Rest	2.5 mi run	50 min walk
6	Rest or run/walk	2.75 mi run	Rest or run/walk	2 mi run	Rest	2.75 mi run	55 min walk
7	Rest or run/walk	3 mi run	Rest or run/walk	2 mi run	Rest	3 mi run	60 min walk
8	Rest or run/walk	3 mi run	Rest or run/walk	2 mi run	Rest	Rest	5K Race Ready

	Time instead of	Run/Walk	
1	1.5 miles	15 min	3min/2 min
2	1.75 mi	18 min	3min/1 min
3	2 mi	18 min	4 min/ 1 min
4	2.25 mi	20 min	5 min/ 1 min
5	2.5 mi	20 min	5 min/ 1 min
6	2.75 mi	20 min	3 min/ 30 sec
7	3 mi	25 min	3 min/ 30 sec
8	3 mi	26 min	1 min/ 30 sec

Time does not equal pace. You should be able to run for this long. Distance will possibly be longer.

** At the beginning you should be walking briskly to elevate your heart rate. By week 5, your walk speed should be just slightly slower than a run.

Uncomfortable: is a pace that pushes you. You should have trouble talking while running but not be out of breath. 50%: What would be a 'warm-up' pace. Nice and easy. Faster than a brisk walk. 75%: Running but comfortable. Able to still talk while running with ease.

Weeks 1-2 run at least 3 days/week Weeks 3-4 run at least 4 days/week Week 6+ you should be running 5 days/week

5K Race Ready= Ready to start fall training/ready for try-outs