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The Dayton-area **Panera Bread** franchisee is hosting the third annual Dayton Panerathon 5K run on April 25 and hopes to raise \$15,000 to fight childhood hunger.

The 3.1-mile race begins at **Centerville High School** and the course runs through the streets of Centerville.

All proceeds benefit **Children's Hunger Alliance**, a statewide nonprofit organization that works to end childhood hunger in Ohio.

Last year, 620 runners participated in the run, which raised \$11,000. Organizers hope to have 800 runners and walkers at this year's event, to raise at least \$15,000 for the alliance.

Jim Hach, operating partner for Dayton area bakery-cafés, said he hopes to reach this year's goal.

"We anticipate this year we will see even more runners and walkers out there supporting Children's Hunger Alliance," Hach said in a news release.

Organizers are encouraging businesses and organizations to form teams of 10 people, offering a group entry fee of \$150 per 10-person team.

Panera Bread (Nasdaq: PNRA) also will provide a free breakfast for up to 20 people to the first five teams who sign up for the event.

Participants will receive an event T-shirt and a race bag provided by Panera Bread. The top three finishers, both male and female, as well as the top three finishers in each age group will be awarded medals.

Pre-registration is available online at panera-ohio.com. The registration fee is \$20 before the race day and \$25 on the day of the race.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. and the race starts at 10 a.m. at the Centerville High School sports stadium.

Breads of the World LLC is the local franchisee of Panera Bread, with 49 bakery-cafés throughout Columbus, Cincinnati, northern Kentucky and the Dayton area.

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