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## **Doughnuts Equal Dollars in** 3rd Annual **Krispy Kreme Run 4 Reading** Race

## **Quick Facts**

- There are two new additions to the race this year: official timing; and a junior challenge--four miles and six doughnuts--for racers 14 and younger.
- All money raised goes to the Early Learning Partnership of York County.



ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA — Early Learning Partnership of York County Director Teresa Creech promises "something fun for everyone" for the 3rd Annual Krispy Kreme Run 4 Reading Race on March 4.

"If you are a serious runner, then check out your time for the four-mile course," she said. "If you love doughnuts, lots of doughnuts, then give the Challenge a try. If you can't run a long distance, then grab some friends and do the relay where you each run or walk one mile. Wear a costume!"

The four-mile loop begins at 8 a.m. downtown at Fountain Park with a brief stop on the Winthrop University campus, where runners in the Challenge category will down a dozen doughnuts before racing back to the finish line.

If you haven't been blessed with an iron stomach, you can sign up for the casual run: four miles with 12 doughnuts to share at the end. Another option is the book relay, with each team member completing one mile each.

Race organizers have also debuted a new Krispy Kreme challenge: a Junior Challenge featuring

four miles and six doughnuts for children ages 14 and younger.

Doughnuts equal dollars in this fun event: All money raised goes to the Early Learning Partnership of York County, a nonprofit organization that develops and promotes programs supporting the health and academic readiness of children five years old and younger in the local community. The 2016 race netted \$19,000.

Creech said the race supports a very worthy cause. Most brain development happens in the first 18 months of a child's life, opening the pathways to increased learning, she said.

"That is why reading aloud and snuggling with a child is so important," she said. "So join us as we prepare children, birth to age five, for school readiness in York County!"

Race registration opens Feb. 5 and volunteers are needed.. Regular registration rates are \$35 opening day; \$40 between Feb. 6-March 3; and \$45 on race day. Prices differ depending on which challenge you accept. Registration includes a T-shirt.

For more information, visit the official race website.

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