

## Marine Corps 17.75K Entries Sell Fast for Access Granted to 43rd MCM

*17.75K on March 24 is First Step Toward Marine Corps Marathon for 3,100 runners*

**QUANTICO, VA (February 21, 2018)** – Registrations for the Marine Corps 17.75K registration flew off the shelves today as 3,100 runners snapped up all available entries in just 7 minutes, 25 seconds.

Runners from 42 states, the District of Columbia, and 4 countries are now set to run the hills in Prince William Forest Park on March 24, eager to receive an “Access Granted” card guaranteeing a coveted spot in the 43rd Marine Corps Marathon held this October in Arlington, VA and the nation’s capital.

Access Granted is available to finishers age 14 and above, as 14 is the youngest age eligible to run the MCM. Finishers ages 10-13 in the Marine Corps 17.75K may pass their registration to another runner. New this year, all finishers will receive a dedicated link by email following the event with access to register for the 43<sup>rd</sup> MCM. Access Granted

registration must be completed by noon Eastern on Tuesday, March 27 to officially register for “The People’s Marathon.”



The Marine Corps 17.75K begins at 7 a.m. along Dumfries Road/Route 234 in Prince William County. Free [shuttle service](#) is available from area parking lots to the 17.75K start on event morning. The unique, 11.03-mile distance of the Marine Corps 17.75K commemorates the founding of the U.S. Marine Corps in 1775. Runners will travel both gravel and asphalt paths through the winding turns of Prince William Forest Park. At the finish, U.S. Marines will present specially designed finisher medals depicting growth rings of a tree capturing the essence of the National Park.

For those not running the Marine Corps 17.75K, there are still ways to enter the Marine Corps Marathon. Active Duty military registration, sponsored by Geico, begins March 1. Open from March 21-28, the MCM Lottery provides another opportunity to #RunWithTheMarines at [www.marinemarathon.com](http://www.marinemarathon.com).

*Run Amuck and the Belleau Wood 8K are part of the 2018 MCM Event Series, hosted by the Marine Corps Marathon Organization. The MCM Event Series is sponsored by Brooks, Camelbak, GEICO Military, Holiday Inn Quantico Center, Marines Plumbing, Sentara Healthcare and Wegmans. The Marine Corps Installations National Capital Region-Marine Corps Base Quantico (MCINCR-MCBQ) conducts the MCM through a series of events organized around the sport of running, showcasing physical fitness and generating community goodwill in order to promote the high standards and discipline of the Marine Corps. No federal or Marine Corps endorsement implied. #RunWithTheMarines*

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