

Webster Park Varsity Cross Country Course – 3.0 miles

The start is just over the stone bridge off the Holt Road parking lot. The starting line is drawn in line from about eight feet in front of the southwest tip of the left-hand playground to the second of the two large trees southwest of the bridge along the creek.

The runners head west through the glen for about 340 meters to the pavilion in the far west end of the glen. They then turn right around the southwest corner of the pavilion and head toward the large tree to the north of the pavilion. The runners go around that tree (keeping it on their right) and make a bee-line for the large tree (marked with an orange X on its northeast side) on the north side of the glen. They go around that tree (keeping it on their right) and head up the gully. The runners run up through the natural gully opening toward the northeast corner of the park and five large sycamore trees. Keeping these trees on their right, the runners angle to the right from the fourth to the fifth tree. Now heading south (parallel to Holt Road), the runners stay to the right of three more large trees, angling to the right around the third tree. They then proceed southwest through the natural tree opening to the opening at the top of the hill.

The runners turn left down the hill toward the large sycamore tree directly at the bottom. They then turn right around the tree and follow the path of the start through the glen. When they get to the wooden bridge at the west end of the glen, they turn left onto the bridge and head up “Heartbreak Hill.” At the top, they veer slightly to the right and follow the tennis court loop road to the parking lot on the opposite side. [Note: They may run on either the road or the grass to the inside. They must, however, keep the “No Parking” signs on their left.] They angle to the right at the entrance of the parking lot and run past the large maple tree and the sand box (keeping them on their left) and toward the opening of the “Horse Trail.” The one-mile mark is at the point in line with the sand box where the red maple tree to the southeast and the next to the southeast of that can be connected in line [Note: A blue flag should be placed at this spot.].

As the runners head up the trail, they veer to the left at the “Y” and proceed through the “Horse Trail” until they come to the clearing along Holt Road. They then turn left at the clearing and follow the rolling hills, keeping the tree line on their immediate left. Just before the downhill leading to the park entrance, they turn left at the opening and follow the lane formed between two rows of pine trees. The runners then turn left around the clump of trees at the end of the opening and proceed down the hill into the clearing along the road, keeping the tree line on their immediate left. As the tree line veers to the left to expose a larger clearing, the runners make a bee-line across this clearing toward an opening through a small clump of trees next to the tree line. Once through that opening, they stay low along the tree line past two large trees before angling to the right toward the red maple tree (which they keep to the right) and the blue flag that marked one mile. [Note: A yellow flag can be placed below the blue flag on that same pole.]

Now heading in the opposite direction of the first mile, the runners run to the left of the sand box and toward the tennis court loop road. As they run clockwise around the loop, they may run either on the road or along the grass, following any tangents that keep them between the “No Parking” signs. The two-mile mark is near the first of two small parking areas on the northeast side of the loop. At the intersection about $\frac{1}{2}$ of the way around the circle the runners veer to the left along the road and down a slight hill. Keeping the tree line on their left, they angle around to their left and into the next clearing, where they continue along the tree line and turn left at the opening. They then run up the hill (on either side of the old apple tree) and toward the pavilion at the top. Keeping the pavilion to their left, they run around it, veering to the right at a short trail that will take them down to the base of “Heartbreak Hill.”

The runners veer to the right at the bottom of the hill and cross the wooden bridge. They then turn right and proceed through the glen (in the opposite direction of the start). At the large sycamore tree just to the north of the main pavilion, the runners angle slightly to the left and head up “Suicide Hill.” They then run around the same set of trees as in the first mile, this time keeping them on their left as they run in the opposite direction, before heading down through the gully.

At the opening to the glen, the runners veer slightly to the left and head for the same tree that they went around in the opposite direction in the race’s first quarter mile. They then continue around the southwest corner of the pavilion and make a bee-line for the finish line on the south side of the next pavilion.

The finish line and chute should be set up even with the south side of the small red maple tree.

Lake Road

Holt Road

Bus Parking

Pavilion

Lav.

Pavilion

Finish

Pavilion

Suicide Hill

Parking

Start

Pavilion

Mill Creek

Creek Trail

Heartbreak Hill

Tennis Courts

Parking

Sand box

Pavilion

Webster Park Varsity

Cross Country Course

3.0 miles

← First Mile ← Second Mile ← Third Mile

Horse Trail

Flag Suggestions:
 Red - 8
 Yellow - 2
 Blue - 3

