

THE HIDDEN GEM HALF MARATHON

*A race as unique as the people
who love to call Flossmoor home.*

Welcome Hidden Gem runners and spectators!
We are happy you are joining us to experience
the sixth annual Hidden Gem Half Marathon and
see first-hand all our community has to offer.

In this Race Guide you will find a course map
that marks each mile, highlights seven ideal
places where families and friends can cheer
on their runners, and learn other useful
race day information. Our neighborhood
spirit teams are out in full force to encourage
and assist, along with local entertainment
throughout the course. It has been an
amazing show of community unity!
We hope you have a great day at the Gem.

Flossmoor is a town for running...
but also a town for community, for families,
for connecting and inclusion, a town of great
schools, art, golf, recreation and so much more!
We welcome you to Flossmoor and invite you
to stay for a while.



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It takes more than a village to host a race...

We are humbled by the outpouring of support, dedication,
energy and enthusiasm that so many have given to make
the sixth annual Hidden Gem Half Marathon a reality!

A special thanks to all — Flossmoor residents and local
businesses, our police & fire departments, our village
staff and public works professionals, and our friends
and neighbors from the greater HF and southland
communities: YOU are the true Hidden Gems!

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September 6, 2025
Flossmoor, IL

RACE DAY GUIDE

RACE DAY SCHEDULE

- 6:00 am – Packet Pickup Opens
- 7:15 am – Packet Pickup Closes
- 7:30 am – Race Starts
- 10:00 am – Winners Announced
- 11:00 am – Age Group Winners Announced
- 12:00 pm – Gear Bag Pickup Closes
- 10:00 – 1:00 pm Kegs & Eggs Post Race Celebration

After the race, indulge in brunch & lunch items (including the Hidden Gem brew), dance to the music spun by our live DJ, and celebrate the triumphs, friendships and community spirit that make the Hidden Gem Half Marathon and Flossmoor so special! Visit flossmoor.org for more details.

HIDDEN GEM Q&A

I’m driving to the Gem — Where should I park?

Parking is free and ample. There will be free parking for arrival before 7:00 am at Parker Junior High School, Infant Jesus of Prague School, Western Avenue School, and the Metra commuter parking lot located south of Flossmoor Road on Sterling Avenue; access to certain lots may be restricted after 7:15 am.

When will the roads close / reopen?

All roads will be closed beginning at 7:00 am; streets will reopen as the runners pass each intersection. At 11:00 am we will open all roads and ask any remaining race participants to move to the sidewalks at that time.

Who should I call in an emergency?

The Flossmoor Police Department can be reached at (708) 957-4500 and are readily available during the race. There are aid stations throughout the course with trained medical staff on site. Please contact any of the 100+ course marshals along the race route in the event you need assistance.

Where can I find official race results and photos?

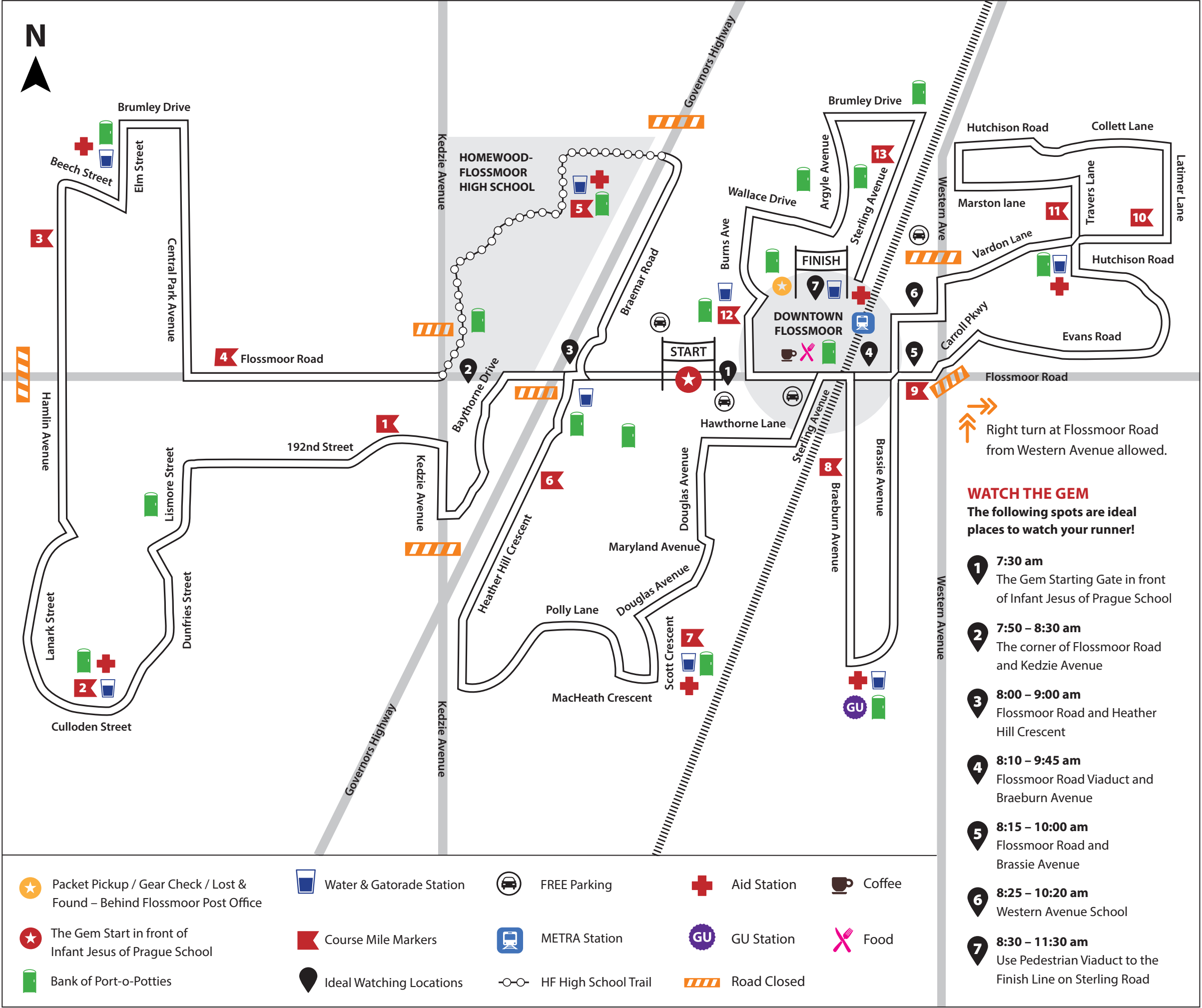
Links to both can be found at hiddengemhalf.com.

Have other questions?

Please visit hiddengemhalf.com or ask a friendly Hidden Gem Half volunteer or course marshal.

SHARE WITH THE GEM

We want to know what you think so we can improve for next year! Please share your thoughts and any suggestions by emailing us at info@flossmoorsfuture.com.



Right turn at Flossmoor Road from Western Avenue allowed.

WATCH THE GEM

The following spots are ideal places to watch your runner!

- 1 7:30 am**
The Gem Starting Gate in front of Infant Jesus of Prague School
- 2 7:50 – 8:30 am**
The corner of Flossmoor Road and Kedzie Avenue
- 3 8:00 – 9:00 am**
Flossmoor Road and Heather Hill Crescent
- 4 8:10 – 9:45 am**
Flossmoor Road Viaduct and Braeburn Avenue
- 5 8:15 – 10:00 am**
Flossmoor Road and Brassie Avenue
- 6 8:25 – 10:20 am**
Western Avenue School
- 7 8:30 – 11:30 am**
Use Pedestrian Viaduct to the Finish Line on Sterling Road