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#### **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **Birney Elementary will Hold Jog-a-Thon in Honor of Student with Cystic Fibrosis**

**What:** Birney Elementary School will donate proceeds from a jog-a-thon to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation in honor of one of their own who suffers from the disease

**When:** Friday, April 12, 2019  
8:30 a.m.

**Where:** Birney Elementary School field  
3034 E. Cornell Ave. (93703)

Kailee Phan, a fourth-grader at Birney Elementary School, is fighting cystic fibrosis, making the simple task of breathing difficult. She must put on a vibrating vest each morning to ensure her air passage is clear. Despite these challenges, Kailee is always smiling and upbeat, amazing her classmates and the Birney staff with her courage and positive outlook. This year, in Kailee's honor, the school will donate the proceeds from its annual jog-a-thon to the [Cystic Fibrosis Foundation](#).

To make the jog-a-thon even more special, the Fresno State University softball team will attend in support of Kailee. Kailee signed her intent to play for the team as an honorary member March 10 at a special ceremony.

“We hope that this special jog-a-thon will encourage Kailee – as she already encourages everyone who meets her – and also raises awareness of cystic fibrosis,” said Superintendent Bob Nelson.

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