



## Gathering of the Kyles Participation Fact Sheet

The 2024 Gathering of the Kyles, an official GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ sanctioned attempt for the largest same-name gathering, first-name only, will take place on Saturday, May 18 at 1 p.m. at the Kyle Fair A Tex-Travaganza at Lake Kyle Park, 700 Lehman Rd.

To participate in the official GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ attempt, participants' legal first-name must be 'Kyle' - spelled that way, they must show proof of identification, and follow GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ guidelines during the official attempt.

### **GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ Attempt Requirements**

All Kyles will be required to register for the official GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ attempt. Kyles can pre-register online at [KyleFair.com](https://KyleFair.com) or in-person at the Kyle Fair A Tex-Travaganza during the following times:

- Friday, May 17 from 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.
- Saturday, May 18 from 8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

During registration, each Kyle will be assigned a bib number. Bib numbers can be picked up during check-in and registration times listed above.

Only Kyles that have checked-in or registered on-site and are wearing a numbered bib will be allowed to enter the arena. Kyles are required to either wear that bib or have it with them in the arena during the official GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ attempt.

Once all Kyles have entered the Kyle Gathering arena and the official world record attempt gets underway, Kyles will be sorted into groups of 50 based on their bib number. Kyle MUST stay in their group of 50 throughout the GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ attempt. Kyles will then be counted and accounted for by a steward.

Failure to follow instructions during the official GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ attempt may result in disqualification.

Only verified Kyles will be allowed to enter the Kyle Gathering area. Kyles that are minors or that require assistance in the arena can have one additional person enter with them.

All Kyles that participate will be given a free Kyle Gathering T-shirt, while supplies last. T-shirts can be picked up along with the registration packets at Lake Kyle Park.

## **Verification Process**

To qualify to be part of the GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ attempt, all participants must have the first name 'Kyle' - spelled that way. Iterations of 'Kyle' such as Kyler, Kyal, or Kylee will not be accepted. Middle names, last names, and nicknames will not be accepted.

Kyles of all ages are welcome to attend but proof of identification is required. Kyles must show proof of first name during registration/check-in through one of the following ways (Legible digital and photocopies of these documents are allowed):

- Valid photo driver's license
- Birth Certificate
- Valid passport
- Valid National ID cards
- Marriage certificate clearly displaying a current first name
- Official documents proving a change of name

## **Gathering of the Kyles Fun Facts**

This will be the City of Kyle's fifth attempt at breaking the record. In 2023, Kyles from all over the country answered the call, making it our largest gathering yet with 1,490 Kyles in attendance.

Kyles from 49 of the 50 states, including Hawaii and Alaska attended 2023 Gathering of the Kyles. We also had global representation with attendees from the Canadian provinces of Ontario, New Brunswick, British Columbia, and Saskatchewan. The majority of Kyles in attendance, approximately 950, were from the great state of Texas.

In 2017, over 100 people participated in the Gathering of the Kyles. That year, individuals with names like Kyler and Kylie and people with the last name or middle name Kyle could take part. To be eligible for an official GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ attempt, it was changed to first-name only in latter attempts.

In 2018, 34 Kyles took part.

In 2019, 27 Kyles took part.

## **Kyle Gathering Stewards**

The City of Kyle is currently looking for Stewards to volunteer at the Gathering of the Kyles. Third-party Stewards are required by GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ to watch over assigned, participating Kyles.

Each Steward is responsible for observing 50 Kyles, organized by number, during the length of the GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ attempt and, if need be, account for disqualifications. Stewards DO NOT participate in the record activity nor help participants fulfill it.

To volunteer as a steward and learn more, [Click Here](#) or visit our [Sign-Up Genius Page](#).