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American Discovery 250 Relay to Travel Through Munster on October 14

Munster, IN — To celebrate America's 250th birthday, the American Discovery Trail (ADT) is hosting the American Discovery 250 Relay, a cross-country relay traveling more than 6,800 miles from the Pacific Ocean to the Atlantic Ocean. On Wednesday, October 14, the relay will make its way through Northwest Indiana and into Munster. The Town of Munster is inviting residents, businesses, community members, and the public to join local officials at the Illinois/Indiana State Line on the Pennsy Greenway at approximately 10:30AM for the official handoff.

Lansing Mayor Hardy and other officials will pass the relay baton to the Town of Munster, marking its entry into Indiana. Munster elected and town officials, including members of the Town Council and Town Manager, will then take turns carrying the baton through the community. The State Line Arch will provide a special backdrop for the occasion, and the public is encouraged to gather there to welcome the relay into Munster and capture photos as the baton begins its journey through town.

Following the official handoff, the baton will be passed to members of the School Town of Munster cross country teams. Middle school and high school runners will serve as the primary carriers of the baton during its approximately 2.5-mile journey through Munster.

The American Discovery 250 Relay began on the West Coast in July and will travel across the country before reaching the Atlantic Ocean in Delaware by Thanksgiving. Participants are completing the journey by foot, bicycle, and kayak while carrying a special baton containing a copy of the Declaration of Independence. The relay is part of the American Discovery Trail's celebration of America's 250th birthday and is intended to bring communities together along the nation's first coast-to-coast, non-motorized trail.

The Town of Munster encourages residents and community members to join local officials and School Town of Munster runners at the State Line Arch on October 14 to help welcome the American Discovery 250 Relay to Munster.

About the Town of Munster
The Town of Munster is a vibrant Northwest Indiana community of more than 23,000 residents located just 26 miles south of Chicago along the southern shores of Lake Michigan. Known for its top-ranked schools, thriving business community, outstanding healthcare, and extensive parks and recreational amenities, Munster offers the advantages of metropolitan accessibility while maintaining a strong sense of community. Home to attractions including Centennial Park and Center for Visual and Performing Arts, Munster continues to be one of Northwest Indiana's premier places to live, work, and play.

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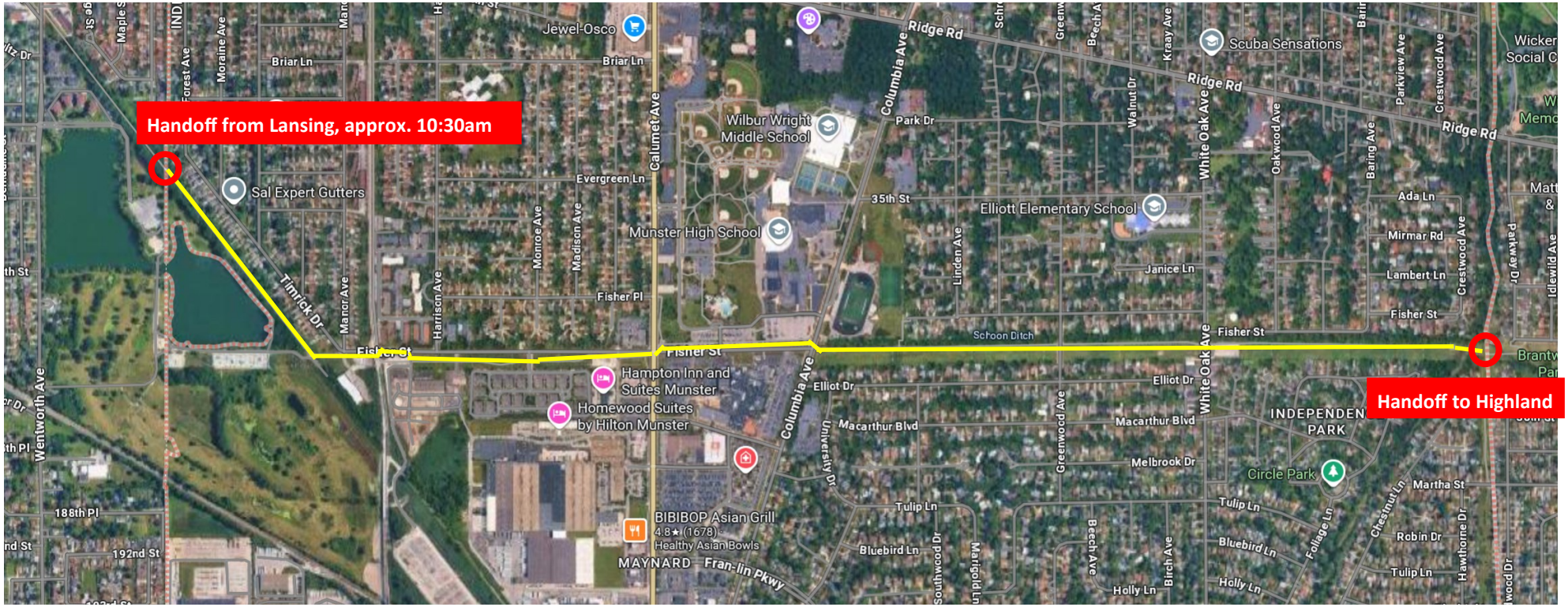

American Discovery Trail 250 Relay

Route through Munster, Wednesday, October 14, 2026