Students from Mount Gleason Middle School begin the SRLA 18 Mile Hansen Dam Action Challenge Saturday morning in Lake View Terrace. Students had been training to run in the annual Los Angeles Marathon originally scheduled for March. However, the marathon has now been postponed until a later date due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Students from Saturday’s race, however, remain in training in order to run a 26.2 mile run in March. (photo by Andy Holzman)
Students participating in the Students Run LA program ran a 30K (18.6-mile) race on Saturday, Feb. 27 at the Lake View Terrace Recreation Center-Hansen Dam area.

Students Run LA is a nonprofit marathon-training and free mentoring program. The organization, founded in 1986, usually has more than 3,200 student participants every year in the greater Los Angeles area. This season, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the total of students and teacher-volunteers is about 2,500 — with about 1,800 students — participating.

They had set their sights on running in the annual Los Angeles Marathon that was originally scheduled for March this year. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the marathon has now been postponed until a later date, possibly in the fall.

Runners who finished Saturday’s run received a medal and a season uniform. They, including another group of students who ran in Lake Balboa early Sunday morning, will stay in training in order to run a socially distanced 26.2-mile run in March.

Students Run LA information, srla.org
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