

Cort Basham

3:30 Pace Leader

Cort started running after he finished college. After playing basketball for exercise nearly every day of his life, the realities of career and family moved him into a more natural fit: early to rise, early to exercise. Running was a great match! He ran his first marathon at the 2005 Rocket City Marathon (Huntsville, AL) in 3:19 and fell in love with the process of training. Since then, he has completed 17 marathons including 12 sub-3:00 finishes with a PRs of 2:49 at the 2017 Louisiana Marathon (Baton Rouge, LA) as well at 1:19 at the 2016 Derby Half Marathon (Louisville, KY). He has run the Boston Marathon five times, but loves to mix up his “big city” races with smaller, more intimate ones as well (Chickamauga [Georgia] and Bayshore [Traverse City, MI] come to mind first). He also works to build the running community through elementary run clubs and organizing his group training runs and workouts for many of his running friends. For these reasons, Cort says he is honored to serve as a bg26.2 pacer and as a bgKIDS 26.2 event coordinator for this hometown event!



Cort with Teddy, the official pup of the bg26.2