



Safe Routes to Schools Activities

Make it easier, safer and more fun to walk and bike to school with the 6 E's

>> Education

- Implement walk and bike safety curriculum in elementary and middle school physical education classes to teach students traffic safety, how to take the best route, and the positive impact of walking and biking.
- Rent **the metro area Bike Fleet** to provide students with hands-on bike safety experience on a ride through the neighborhood.
- Host a **Bike/Walk Rodeo** to teach students and parents about how to safely ride and walk in the community.

>> Encouragement

- Create a SRTS task force for your school or district to plan and promote activities.
- Build excitement around biking and walking by hosting events, such as **walk to school days, bus stop and walk events**, bike to school days, and **bike rodeos** to engage students and parents around biking and walking.
- Create classroom competitions for students to earn incentives for biking and walking.
- Create **walking school buses and bike trains** to provide adult-supervised, safe methods for getting to school.

>> Enforcement

- Partner with law enforcement to ensure traffic laws are enforced in the area.
- Train and equip adult and student **volunteer crossing guards** to provide a safe crossing around the school.

>> Engineering

- Create **temporary infrastructure** changes to the surrounding school area (traffic-slowing bump outs, roundabouts, protected bike lanes, etc.).
- Apply for funding with your city to improve safety infrastructure around the school (highway over/underpass, sidewalks, stop signs, etc.). *Next funding cycle - summer 2018.*

>> Evaluation

- Create or update an existing SRTS comprehensive plan that evaluates the current infrastructure surrounding the school and identifies areas for potential improvement.

>> Equity

- Incorporate equity in all other E's to ensure that lower-income communities and students of color have equitable access to safe and active routes to school.
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