

WALKING SAFETY ASSESSMENT

SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL IS A PARTNERSHIP OF THE LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



ACTIVITY COORDINATION TIP SHEET

Creating Safe Streets for Our Children

As the **school principal and/or school liaison**, your coordination and participation with the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) team is important to help improve the safety of students who walk/bike to school. Our team will work with you to engage your school community to develop a SRTS Plan customized to the walking/biking safety needs in your school neighborhood. We'll start with a Walking Safety Assessment, which is a 2-part process. We are excited to partner with you to host the following activities.



Walk & Talk

The SRTS team will walk together with staff, teachers and the school community on the streets surrounding the school to identify barriers and challenges to students walking/biking to and from school. Following our walk, the SRTS team will document concerns and discuss possible solutions.



Review the Proposed Plan

We will incorporate feedback from the Walking Safety Assessment into the design of proposed street improvements and safety education. The SRTS team will return to the school community to review and solicit your feedback on the plan. We will use the final plan to apply for funds to construct recommended street improvements and bring education to your school.



How You Can Help

Coordinate with the SRTS team to:

1. Confirm a date, time, and location for both the Walking Safety Assessment and SRTS Plan Review.
2. Promote the walk and plan review. Coordinate with your office staff to distribute flyers to all students, post on social media, and make a Connect-Ed call. Flyers, social media content, and phone scripts will be provided by our SRTS team.
3. Introduce the SRTS team to your school contact responsible for planning and hosting Walk to School Day and one additional Keep Walking Activity.



Who to Invite

Parents/Guardians, Teachers, School Staff, School Crossing Guards, Operations Coordinator, Office of Environmental Health & Safety (OEHS) staff, School Police, Complex Program Manager, other stakeholders who have an interest in improving walking and bicycling for students in the school community.