WALK & ROLLON! SEPTEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

Walking School Bus with George R. Moscone Elementary

October 7-11, 2024 Walk & Roll ^{to School Week}

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Walk and Roll to School Week 2024

Thousands of students across San Francisco will walk, bike, scoot, and roll to school during the week of October 7-11, 2024. The event builds yearlong excitement around getting to school in people-powered ways that are good for our health, climate, and communities.

Schools can pick a date during the week of October 7-11 that works best, and celebrate by walking and rolling to school. Each school should have a caregiver or staff organizer and should register their school! Please register by September 20th at 5PM to have materials delivered to your school. Learn more at https://sfsaferoutes.org/walk

Please register your school for Walk & Roll to School Week using the following link: https://airtable.com/appOt2g4aj5Qte9Fm/shrdNHAYQaMsTH2bj

GET ON THE WALKING SCHOOL BUS!

Meet Malena!

Malena is a part of the SF Safe Routes to School implementation team. You may have seen her hosting Walking School Buses or Bike Blenders at your local school! A Walking School Bus is where a group of children walk to school together under adult supervision. Malena enhances these experiences by incorporating fun elements such as colorful signs, bubbles, and music, turning the daily commute into a fun, social activity.



Before joining our team, Malena worked with an environmental

group, helping to make the Bayview-Hunters Point area even better. She also studied Environmental Studies at San Francisco State University and is currently learning more about geographic information systems. When she's not making your walk to school awesome, Malena loves exploring the outdoors, trying new recipes, and going camping. You might see her enjoying San Francisco's parks or working in her garden. Malena's mission is to make our streets safer and greener, and she loves every minute of it!

Want to learn more about how to start a Walking School Bus at your school? Contact Malena, at malena@walksf.org.

THE ESSENTIAL ROLE OF CROSSING GUARDS



SFMTA Crossing Guards are responsible for ensuring the safety of pedestrians, particularly children, during school drop off and pick times at intersections near schools across San Francisco. They help children and pedestrians cross the streets safely by stopping traffic and guiding pedestrians across the street.

Stay Safe with the Crossing Guard: Important Tips for Students

Wait for the Signal:

Always wait for the crossing guard to give the clear signal before crossing, even if it looks safe.

Listen and Follow Instructions:

Pay close attention to the crossing guard's instructions and follow them carefully.

Use the Crosswalk:

Always cross at the designated crosswalk or crossing area where the guard is stationed.

Look Both Ways:

Even with a crossing guard, remember to look left, right, and left again before and while crossing the street.

Stay Focused:

Stay alert and avoid distractions like phones or headphones so you can be aware of everything around you.

Cross Together:

Try to cross with other students whenever possible. Being in a group makes you more visible to drivers.

If you are interested in volunteering as a crossing guard for your school and would like more information please contact the SF Safe Routes to School team at saferoutestoschool@sfmta.com

Upcoming Events

FREEDOM FROM TRAINING WHEELS

September 28th, 2024 From 10AM to 1PM

445 Church Street San Francisco, CA 94114

Freedom from Training Wheels is a great way to get kids riding without training wheels! Come check out this Free drop-in class at the 2024 City Kids Family Fair . This class is best for children ages 2-5, but older children are welcome. Learn more at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/city-kids-family-fair-2024-tickets-984130178857

WALK AND ROLL TO SCHOOL WEEK 2024

October 7-11, 2024 Citywide

Join us for our annual citywide celebration of walking and rolling to school! Learn more and register your school by visiting https://sfsaferoutes.org/walk

Connect with us today!

WANT TO REQUEST AN ACTIVITY AT YOUR SCHOOL OR INVITE US TO AN EVENT? Email saferoutestoschool@sfmta.com

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