



# Walking, Wheeling, and Winter Cheer

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NEWSLETTER



Walking School Bus with Charles Drew Elementary

## Walking in Her Footsteps A Recap of Ruby Bridges Walk to School Day

At just six years old, Ruby Bridges became the first Black student to attend an all-white Southern school, bravely walking to class under Federal Marshal protection in 1960. Her courage symbolizes the fight for civil rights, and November 14th honors her legacy with Ruby Bridges Walk to School Day. Last month, San Francisco schools joined the celebration with walks, banners, and lessons about her historic journey!



Big thanks to our amazing Walking School Bus leaders, Malena and Adrian, for guiding the way at El Dorado Elementary!



Students from Sunnyside Elementary leading their walking school bus with smiles.



Students and parents from Jean Parker Elementary posing before their walk to school.



Students from Tenderloin Community School Elementary huddled to read about Ruby Bridges before their walking school bus.



Students from Dolores Huerta Elementary rocking purple in honor of Ruby Bridges.

## Firefighter Family Ride: A Day of Fun and Adventure!

On November 3, 2024, over 100 participants joined the San Francisco Fire Department and San Francisco Safe Routes to School for an exciting Firefighter Family Ride through the Panhandle and Golden Gate Park.

With two shiny fire engines and an EMT vehicle leading the way, families rolled into Golden Gate Park for a day filled with fun! Kids got to explore the cool responder vehicles up close, enjoy exciting activities, and win awesome prizes.

Thank you to everyone who joined and made this event such a blast!



Future fire chief spotted!



Thank you to the firefighters and EMTs who joined us!



Bikes, smiles, and community spirit!

## Sign up to be a Safe Routes to School Champion

Do you want to help plan events like Walk & Roll to School Week, a bike blender visit, or other Safe Routes to School activities for your school? We're looking for enthusiastic parent, guardian, and staff volunteers to help organize these fun events!

No experience is needed—just your enthusiasm! Not sure if someone at your school is already signed up? Don't worry—we'll connect you with other volunteers. [Sign up to be a champion](#) today and make a difference in your school community!

### Upcoming Events

RIDE MUNI TO SCHOOL WEEK  
February 3-7, 2025  
Citywide

Join us for our citywide celebration of Muni and transit! More info to come in upcoming newsletters!

### Connect with us today!

WANT TO REQUEST AN ACTIVITY AT YOUR SCHOOL OR INVITE US TO AN EVENT?

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