

Walk to School Week

October 7-11, 2024



Check out these ideas to encourage students and parents to participate all week long.

Hold a Spirit Week with these fun ideas:

- Encourage your parents/caregivers to walk too, with a secret dress-up theme for them (Crazy Hair Day, Crazy Socks, Let your student choose your outfit for the day).
- Neon/Bright Color Day – this pairs great with the “Wear Bright Colors” safety tip!
- Funky Sneaker Day
- School Pride Day
- Buddy Day – Find a friend and walk together
- Family Walk to School Day
- Walk with Kindness – students make signs with positive messages for their walk

Chalk the Walk – Have students, parents or teachers write positive messages on the sidewalks leading up to the school.

Encourage a Family Walk to School Day – Have some coffee or morning treats for families that walk to school or host a “Coffee with the Principal” meeting one morning.

End of Week Raffle – Give a raffle ticket to students that walked to school. Students put their tickets into a raffle box for a prize drawing on October 11. Safe Moves will provide a bicycle and helmet for a grand prize (one bike & helmet per school).

Provide walking and biking safety tips – Share tips with students during the morning announcement. Help them stay safe on their walk. El Monte SRTS will provide this material.

Show how many kids walked to school on a given day or for the week – Provide cutouts of a shoe or foot. Students that participated write their name on the cutout and tape it onto a large piece of paper taped up at the school entrance with the heading “See Who Walked”.

Hold a Competition – Have a grade level, individual or class competition and award the Golden Sneaker Award to the class with the greatest number of students who walked for the week. Teachers will keep track on a daily tally sheet. Announce winning class/grade school on the PA or during the morning announcement. El Monte SRTS will provide the Golden Sneaker Award.

