



## Fall 2015 Travel Survey Request

September 29, 2015

Dear Principal,

The Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Program in Solano County began in 2008 in response to the growing childhood obesity epidemic, student travel safety concerns, increasing air pollution and traffic congestion near schools in Solano County. The program works to encourage more students to walk and bike to school and your school may have taken part in safety assemblies, bicycle rodeos, bike helmet fittings, walk and roll weeks, International Walk to School Day, National Bike to School Day and/or a Walking School Bus. All of these activities are available to schools in Solano County at no cost.

In an ongoing effort to evaluate our program, we are requesting each school conduct a simple hand tally survey form in each classroom. As a token of our appreciation, all schools who return the completed surveys will receive a \$50 Target gift card to be raffled off to teachers who complete the hand tally survey.

**Student Arrival and Departure Tally:** Please ask each of your teachers to complete the attached survey for **two** days, during one week, excluding Mondays and Fridays. Choose a week from the options below. The survey should take approximately 5 minutes to conduct.

**Oct 13-Oct 15    Oct 20-Oct 22    Oct 27-29**

Once completed, please collect these surveys and mail, fax or scan to my attention **by November 6<sup>th</sup>**. Electronic versions can be found online at [www.solanoSR2S.ca.gov](http://www.solanoSR2S.ca.gov) under the *For Schools* tab.

If you have questions about the surveys, and/or are interested in starting a SR2S program at your school, please contact us at (707) 399-3222 or [solanosr2sinfo@sta.ca.gov](mailto:solanosr2sinfo@sta.ca.gov).

Thank you for your continued support of Safe Routes to School.  
Sincerely,

Sarah Fitzgerald  
Program Administrator, Safe Routes to School

Attachments:

1. School information page
2. October 2015 Safe Routes to School "Student Arrival and Departure Tally Sheet"

**Tip:** This survey can be conducted in one day by first asking students how they traveled to and from school *yesterday*. This will be Day 1 data. Then ask the students how they arrived today and will return home today. This will be the data for Day 2. **The one day survey must only be done on a Wednesday or Thursday of the week.**

All participating schools receive a \$50 gift card to Target to raffle off to teachers that complete the survey!

**Your Kids. Your School. Your Community.**



## Fall Travel Survey School Information Page

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Principal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Enrollment: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of  
Classrooms: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of surveys  
returned: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you interested in any of the following Safe Routes to School activities for your school?

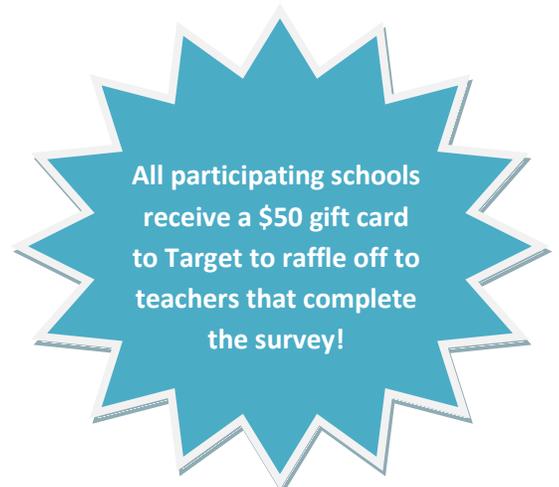
Bike Rodeo	Bike Mobile	Safety Assembly	Theatrical production	Parent meeting	Walk & Roll Activities	Walking School Bus

**Return surveys by November 6, 2015:**

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# Safe Routes to School Arrival & Departure Tally Sheet: Fall 2015

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

## Instructions:

- Please conduct these counts only on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday.
- Ask your students "How did you arrive at school today?" Read through all of the answer choices and define carpooling. Then read the answers a second time and ask your students to raise their hands. Each student may only answer once.
- Use the same procedure for "How do you plan to leave for home after school?" Then ask about students' travel the day before or after.

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Monday's Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Students in Class (Typical): \_\_\_\_\_

	Weather (sunny, rainy, overcast)	Number of students in class when counted	Walk	Bike	School Bus	Family Vehicle (with brothers/ sisters only)	Carpool (with children from other families)	Public Transit (city bus, train, etc.)	Other (skateboard, scooter, etc.)
Tuesday AM									
Tuesday PM									
Wednesday AM									
Wednesday PM									
Thursday AM									
Thursday PM									

List any disruptions, scheduled activities or unusual travel conditions before or after school that may impact these counts:

Return by Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup> to [sfitzgerald@sta.ca.gov](mailto:sfitzgerald@sta.ca.gov), fax (707) 424-6074; mail: Safe Routes to School, One Harbor Center #130, Suisun City, CA 94585

