SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL SURVEY

Thank you for filling out this short survey about how your student travels to and from school. The survey should take about four minutes to complete.

Safe Routes to School is a program at your student's school that helps promote safe transportation habits through education and engineering (new crosswalks, for example). This survey is a required part of the Safe Routes to School program and helps improve the program. Your responses are completely confidential.

We survey parents in the fall and spring of each school year. This survey should be filled out by the parent or guardian of the student. If you have more than one student in your house, please fill this out for your **oldest** student in elementary school. When you've completed the survey, please mail it back to the City of Portland in the envelope provided for a chance to **win a FREE bicycle and helmet ($400 value)** for your student. Return by **November 10** to be entered to win.

To take this survey online go to www.SafeRoutesPortland.org/Survey (where you will also qualify for the bike drawing).

First, we'd like to know a little about your family.

1. What school does your oldest K-5 elementary school student attend? _____

2. What grade is your student in? *(circle one)*

K 1 2 3 4 5

3. Is your student a boy or a girl? *(circle one)*

Boy Girl

The next question refers to how your oldest elementary school student traveled to and from school.

4. Think about how your student traveled to and from school last week (Monday to Friday). Show how he/she went to school and back home after school for each day of the week by selecting one mode for each direction.

(check boxes that apply)	Going to School						Going Home				
	Day of the Week										
	M	T	W	TH	F		M	T	W	TH	F
Walk											
Bike											
School Bus											
Family Vehicle (car/truck)											
Carpool (riding with another family)											
TriMet (bus/train)											
Other (skateboard, scooter)											

The next few questions will help us learn how you, as parents/guardians/caregivers, feel about allowing your student to walk or bike to/from school.

5. Do you allow your student to WALK to/from school? *(check all that apply)*

- ☐ No
- ☐ Yes, he/she walks alone
- ☐ Yes, with a friend
- ☐ Yes, with me or another trusted adult

6 . Do you allow your student to BIKE to/from school? *(check all that apply)*

- ☐ No
- ☐ Yes, he/she bikes alone
- ☐ Yes, with a friend
- ☐ Yes, with me or another trusted adult

7a. From the five comments below, please pick the one that best describes your situation with respect to allowing your student to walk and bike to/from school. *(check one)*

- ☐ Walking and biking to/from school is not an option for my student.
- ☐ My student always walks or bikes to/from school.
- ☐ My student walks or bikes as much as our schedule permits to/from school.
- ☐ My student occasionally walks or bikes to/from school.
- ☐ My student never walks or bikes to/from school.

7b. From the list please select the factors that limit the amount of walking & biking that your student does: *(check as many as apply)*

- ☐ Parent(s) work schedules
- ☐ Household routines/schedules
- ☐ Weather
- ☐ Distance (school is too far away)
- ☐ Student does not enjoy it
- ☐ Parent does not enjoy it
- ☐ Poor walking or biking facilities (lack of sidewalks, bike parking)
- ☐ Concerns about traffic safety
- ☐ Neighborhood safety/crime ("Stranger Danger")
- ☐ Child's ability to walk or bike safely
- ☐ Other _____

8. In your opinion, how much does your student's school encourage or discourage walking and biking to/from school? *(check one)*

- ☐ Strongly Encourages
- ☐ Encourages
- ☐ Neither Encourages nor Discourages
- ☐ Discourages
- ☐ Strongly Discourages

9. Before receiving this survey, were you aware that the Safe Routes to School program is being offered at your student's school? Yes / No

10. Has the Safe Routes to School program helped increase the number of trips to/from school or other destinations that you or your student make by walking or by biking? Yes / No

If **Yes**, which of the following Safe Routes to School programs have helped the most?

- ☐ Education (bicycling/walking safety education at school)
- ☐ Encouragement (Activities for you and your student to participate in such as: Walk+Bike to School Day, etc.)
- ☐ Engineering improvements (new Crosswalks, Bike Parking, Speed Bumps, etc. at or near your school)
- ☐ Police Enforcement of traffic laws around the school
- ☐ Other _____

Please include any other comments: _____

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Is your comment a traffic safety concern? Instead please submit it to our Traffic Safety Hotline by calling 503-823-SAFE (7233) or emailing safe@portlandoregon.gov. For questions about this survey please contact the City of Portland's Safe Routes to School Program at 503-823-5667 or SafeRoutes@portlandoregon.gov.

Are you interested in volunteering for Safe Routes to School? Yes / No

If **Yes**, please include your contact information below.

Thanks for taking our survey. To be entered into the drawing for a $400 bike and helmet please provide an email or telephone contact for us to reach you. _____

Please mail this survey back in the envelope provided.

The Portland Bureau of Transportation fully complies with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the ADA Title II, and related statutes and regulations in all programs and activities. For accommodations and additional information, contact the Title II and Title VI Coordinator at Room 1204, 1120 SW 5th Ave, Portland, OR 97204, or by telephone 503-823-5185, City TTY 503-823-6868, or use Oregon Relay Service: 711.

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