











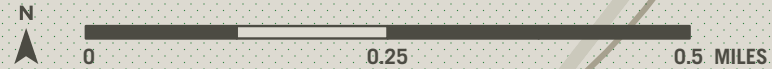
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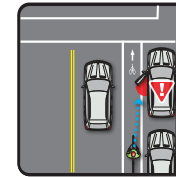
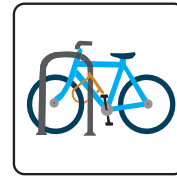
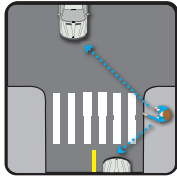
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-  Suggested Route
-  Trail
-  Crossing Guard Location
-  Marked Crosswalk
-  Bicycle Parking
-  All-Way Stop
-  Challenging Intersection
-  Parent or Bus Loading Zone
-  Parks
-  Open/Green Space

HOW TO USE THIS MAP

This suggested route to school map is intended to encourage adults and students to consider walking or bicycling to school. Adults are responsible for choosing the most appropriate option based on their knowledge of the different routes and the skill level of their student.





TIPS FOR KIDS

WALK & SKATE SAFE!

USE A CROSSWALK & THE CROSSING GUARDS:

Always cross at corners or at a marked crosswalk where drivers expect to see you. Cross with the crossing guard if your school has one.

LOOK BEFORE YOU CROSS:

Look left, right, and left again before crossing a street. Make eye contact with drivers before stepping off of the sidewalk.

BE VISIBLE:

Wear reflective or bright-colored clothing and walk with one or more walking buddies.

WALK WITH CARE:

If there is no sidewalk, walk facing traffic as far to the side of the road as possible, but do not weave in and out of parked cars.

TIPS FOR KIDS

BIKE SAFE!

WEAR YOUR HELMET:

It models good behavior. Helmets should fit snug, be level on your head and should always be buckled firmly under your chin.

RIDE PREDICTABLY:

Look for vehicles and signal to drivers which direction you plan to go before making turns. Ride in a straight line. Avoid the door zone, about five feet away from parked cars.

RIDE WITH TRAFFIC:

Ride on the right, in the direction of traffic. Obey all signs and signals.

LOCK YOUR BIKE:

When you get to school, lock your bike to a bike rack inside the campus. Lock both your front wheel and the bike frame to the rack.

RIDING ON SIDEWALKS:

In Austin, bicyclists are permitted on sidewalks except in the downtown business district. Discuss with your parents whether to ride on the street or sidewalk for your school route.

SAFETY TIPS FOR PARENTS & GUARDIANS

RESPECT THE ZONE:

If driving, slow down in school zones. The safe speed may be less than 25 miles per hour.

SET A GOOD EXAMPLE:

Follow instructions from crossing guards.

WATCH FOR CHILDREN:

Stop for pedestrians in crosswalks and at unmarked intersections. Look for children who may be crossing mid-block, too.

BE AWARE AND ALERT:

Set aside distractions and keep an eye out for unexpected movements by children.

GO WITH THE FLOW:

Follow your school's drop-off and pick-up procedures. Pull to the curb rather than letting kids out in the street.

AVOID UNSAFE MANEUVERS, SUCH AS MID-BLOCK U-TURNS.

RESPECT THE NEIGHBORHOOD:

Park in legal spaces and avoid double parking or blocking neighbors' driveways. Consider carpooling or walking/biking to school.



GET INVOLVED!

PLAN your walking or biking route with your student.

FORM or join a walking school bus or bike train. Walking school buses and bike trains are groups of students who walk or bike together to school with a parent or adult volunteer.

MORE INFORMATION

Email SafeRoutes@Vision2020Austin.com to find more community and school resources.

SUGGESTED ROUTES TO

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