

Safe Routes to School Walking Audit Form

School:
Date:
Weather:

Items to have along during the audit:

- Clipboard and a pen/pencil
- Camera
- Map of school area

Observations during Arrival/Dismissal

Walkers/Bikers:

Include a description of where students are accessing campus

Bus System:

Show circulation on a map; note where public transit stops are located

Private Vehicle Location(s):

Show circulation on a map; note any cones, signs, etc. that are being used to control traffic

School Patrol:

Note exact locations and mark on map

Observations were obtained during:

___ Arrival (___ : ___ AM - ___ : ___ AM)

___ Dismissal (___ : ___ PM - ___ : ___ PM)

Observations from Walking Assessment:

School Infrastructure:

Bike Racks:

In addition to location, note number of spaces and type of rack

Pedestrian Paths:

Note the surface type and find out if they are plowed in the winter

Community Infrastructure (near the school):

Sidewalks:

Note if there are any obvious issues, such as major obstacles or deterioration of the surface

Bike Routes:

Are there bike lanes or other types of bicycle facilities

Streets:

Include traffic signs, speed control, signals and markings

Community Infrastructure (near the school) continued:

Intersections:

Provide detailed information on **crosswalks** (marked and what type?), **curb ramps** (do they exist and are they up to ADA standards), **traffic control** and **pavement markings**; also note crossing distances

Traffic:

Note traffic patterns and driver behavior

Other Community Infrastructure:

Note other community resources, such as **parks** and **community centers** near the school. Also note adjacent businesses that attract children, such as convenience stores. Additionally, assess other **intersections** or **conflict areas** that have been identified beyond the vicinity of the school

Other general questions to ask during the walking audit:

- Do I have room to walk (are there sidewalks and/or paths)?
- Is it easy to cross streets?
- Do drivers behave well?
- Is the walk generally pleasant?