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Safe Routes to School "Think Outside the Car" Poster Contest Now Accepting Entries

SUISUN CITY, CA – Solano County elementary and middle school students are being asked to "think outside the car" and design a poster to encourage their classmates to walk, bike or ride a scooter to school instead of getting to school by car. The poster should show proper use of traffic safety laws, such as wearing a bike helmet, crossing the street in a crosswalk, or riding a bike with the flow of traffic.

The poster contest is sponsored by the Solano Safe Routes to School program and is open to Solano County students from transitional kindergarten – 8th grade. The First Place winner will receive a bike and bike helmet and the Runner Up winner will receive a \$100 gift certificate. Prizes will be awarded in each of the following grade categories: TK-2nd, 3rd-5th and 6th-8th.

In addition, all submitted artwork may be featured in countywide Safe Routes to School promotional materials, such as posters for Bike to School Day and International Walk to School Day.

Entries must be original hand drawn artwork 8½" x 11" or 11"x17" and be submitted with a completed entry form that can be found on the Safe Routes to School website at www.SolanoSR2S.ca.gov.

Artwork and entry forms can be mailed to or dropped off at: Solano Transportation Authority, Attn: Safe Routes to School, One Harbor Center, Suite 130, Suisun City, CA 94585.

The deadline to enter is Tuesday, March 1, 2016 by 4 pm. Judging will be based on creativity, originality and how effectively the poster promotes walking, biking or riding a scooter to school.

For more information, contact the SR2S program 707-399-3222 or solanosr2sinfo@sta.ca.gov.

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SOLANO SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

Safe Routes to School (SR2S) in Solano County is a program of the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) and is run in partnership with Solano County Public Health. The program was launched in 2008, with an aim to increase the number of students that walk, bike, rideshare or take transit to and from school and supports these activities with educational events throughout the year. There are substantial benefits to increasing active transportation to and from school including improving students' health and well-being plus reducing both air pollution and traffic congestion.

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