safe routes to school

Fall 2019 Travel Survey Request

October 7, 2019

Dear Principal,

For the last 10 years, the Solano Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Program has been working to encourage students to walk and bike to school while making the areas around schools safer and easier to do so. We continue to offer Solano County schools FREE events and activities to educate, increase physical activity and help change the culture of car dependency.

Please help us evaluate our program by conducting a simple hand tally travel survey in each classroom to see how students get to and from school. **Starting this year, the travel tally surveys will take place one time per year, in October.** Previously, the SR2S Program conducted these surveys in both October and May. As a thank you, schools that return the surveys will receive a **\$50 Amazon gift card** to raffle off to the teachers who complete the hand tally sheets.

<u>Student Arrival and Departure Tally:</u> Please ask each of your teachers to complete the attached survey form for **two** days, during one week, excluding Mondays and Fridays. Choose a week from the options

below. The survey takes approximately 3-5 minutes to conduct. *See Tip to complete the survey in **one day**.

October 15-17 October 22-24 October 29-31 November 5-7

Once completed, please collect the surveys and mail, fax or scan/email to my attention by **Friday, November 15, 2019.** Electronic versions can be found online at www.solanoSR2S.ca.gov under 'Surveys' in the *Connect* tab.

For questions about the survey or any of our FREE services, contact me at (707) 399-3222 or at: kbloesch@sta.ca.gov.

Thank you for your continued support of our program! Sincerely,

Karin Bloesch

Senior Program Coordinator, Solano Safe Routes to School

Attachments:

1. School information page

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2. Safe Routes to School "Student Arrival and Departure Tally Sheet"

Tip: The survey can be conducted in **one day**:

- Ask students how they traveled to and from school yesterday. This will be Day 1 data.
- 2) 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 Amazon gift card to raffle off to teachers that complete the survey!







