Fun games and activities inside!

WALK & ROLL with SCHOOLPOOL

Activity Book

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Walk & Roll with SchoolPool

HOW to USE THIS ACTIVITY BOOK

Learn how to be a walking, rolling, busing, and carpooling role model! Walking and rolling are healthy, active, and green ways to get around your neighborhood and to school. Carpooling and taking the bus are great ways to share trips in your neighborhood and to school!

It's fun to walk and roll with my family!

King County Metro’s SchoolPool program offers education and encouragement to families choosing to walk, roll, take the bus, and carpool to school. This book provides educational and encouragement activities for active and shared modes of transportation.
This book is for you! Your parents and teachers want you to learn safe walking and rolling skills. Complete these activities with your parents, teachers, or on your own. You will have a lot to teach your parents and teachers, too!

You will decide when your child has the skills and experience needed to safely walk or roll without you or another adult. See the Readiness Checklist on page 43 for some considerations. Use this guide to begin or continue talking with your child and help them think through smart, life-long walking and rolling safety behaviors.

You have an important role to play in the classroom and in teaching students about safe and healthy ways to get around. You can use individual sheets from this book in lesson plans and activities to help your students develop safety skills that will carry them through the rest of their lives.
WHY WE WALK and ROLL

Follow these students on their way to school. Learn why they walk and roll to get to school, the library, and the park!

MY PARENTS USED TO WALK TO SCHOOL WHEN THEY WERE MY AGE.

In 1969, 1 IN EVERY 2 KIDS (that’s half or 50%) used to walk or roll to school. Today, less than 1 IN EVERY 6 KIDS (15%) walks or bikes to school.

I LIKE WALKING AND ROLLING TO SCHOOL BECAUSE I GET TO HANG OUT WITH MY FRIENDS, AND IT MAKES ME FEEL GOOD!

Walking ONE MILE to and from school each day means I get TWO-THIRDS of the recommended 60 MINUTES OF PHYSICAL ACTIVITY a day.
WHEN I WALK TO SCHOOL, I FEEL FOCUSED AND READY TO LEARN!

After 20 MINUTES OF PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, students tested better in reading, spelling and math and were more likely to read above their grade level.

I LIVE FURTHER AWAY FROM SCHOOL, BUT I CAN STILL HELP! I CARPOOL WITH MY FRIEND TO HELP REDUCE POLLUTION NEAR SCHOOL.

Parents driving their children just to school make up 1 IN EVERY 10 CAR TRIPS in the morning, and this number doesn't even include all of the trips parents make when dropping off children on their way to work (NHTS 2017). Carpooling and taking the bus can help reduce traffic and air pollution.

WALKING AND ROLLING ARE GOOD FOR THE ENVIRONMENT AND ARE FUN!

If half of all students walked or rolled to school, we would save 3.2 BILLION vehicle miles and 1.5 MILLION tons of carbon dioxide—equal to keeping more than 250,000 cars off the road for a year.
WHAT ACTIVITIES are INSIDE?

These educational activities and informational sheets for elementary students will introduce families to safe walking and bicycling. Parents, guardians, and children are encouraged to do these activities together!

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Let’s get started! Do them in order or jump around. It’s your adventure.
BUILD YOUR SAFETY SKILLS

The next pages are filled with fun activities for you to learn and gain more safety skills for walking and rolling in your neighborhood. Let’s jump in!
Remy is walking to school. What should Remy *bring on their walk to school* when it’s cool and rainy outside?

**Be Bright! Be Safe! Be Seen!**
WHAT to WEAR BIKING

Be Bright! Be Safe! Be Seen!

Alex is biking to school. What should Alex BRING ON HER RIDE TO SCHOOL when it’s warm and sunny out?
What to Wear Walking

ANSWERS:

YES:

NO:
What to Wear Biking

**ANSWERS:**

**YES:**
- Helmet
- Backpack
- Shoes
- Water bottle
- Bike light

**NO:**
- Toy animal
- Bird
- Baseball bat
- Basketball
- Car
- Flip-flops
STREET SMARTS
WORD MATCHING

Find a word from the Word Bank and match it with its definition. Use each word only once.

someone who walks or uses a mobility device to help them get about.

We wear this when we bike, scoot, or skate to protect our brains!

We can put these on our handlebars to light up our route when rolling. They also help drivers see us.

This has two wheels that we move by pedaling while we sit on a seat.

“"We always wear our helmet to protect our brains and keep both hands on our handlebars to stay in control”

A vehicle that gives lots of students rides to and from school together.

We ride with one or more classmates and friends in a car.
Where people walk and slowly roll, separated from cars on the street.

Some of us use this to roll, rather than walk. People who use these are still pedestrians!

A red octagon that tells all of us to STOP and look, even if we are walking or rolling!

Where we cross the street.

These adults help us cross the street near school.

This has a handle bar, place to stand with one foot, and two or more wheels. We move this by pushing with one foot off the ground.
Draw yourself walking or rolling!

Walking and Rolling are fun activities that can be done year round! Ask your friends and family members to join you outside as you walk and roll to explore your neighborhood.
Walking is a fun way to spend time outside and get around. **Show us what you know about how to be a safe pedestrian.**
HOW DID the PEDESTRIAN CROSS the ROAD?

Crossing the street gets us to the other side!

Always cross at corners or at a marked crosswalk. This is where drivers expect to see you.

Look for crossing signals, like the hand or walking person.

This signal tells us to STOP.

This signal tells us to WALK, only once we've checked that it's safe.

This signal tells us to stop if we have not started in the crosswalk yet, or to quickly get to the other side without running if we are already in the crosswalk.

Cross with your head up, looking around.
Practice this rhyme to remember how to cross the street safely:

1. Stop every time at the edge of the street
2. Use your head before your feet
3. Make sure you hear every sound
4. Look left, look right, look all around

When it’s clear of cars or the drivers have stopped their cars, then you can go!
Mohammad is ready to go to school. Help him reveal these important safety tips so he stays safe on his walk.

CAN YOU SOLVE THE PUZZLE?

1. Stop. Look left, right, and left again to look for **RTIFAFC** before crossing the street.

2. Before crossing the street, make eye contact with **VIRESRD** to make sure they see you. Wait for cars to **TSPO** before you walk.

3. When possible, always walk on **IDKALWES**. If there is no sidewalk, walk on the left side of the street **TGAIANS** traffic.

4. Always stop at stop **SSING** and stop **GSIHLT**.

5. Wear **HTRIGB** clothing to be seen more easily on your walk to and from **OLSOCH**.

POSSIBLE ANSWERS

- Signs
- Lights
- Sidewalk
- Drivers
- School
- Against
- Bright
- Traffic
- Stop

Biking is a fun way to spend time outside and get around. Test your knowledge of bikes and how to roll safely!
Can you help Isabel learn about her new bike?

FILL IN THE BLANKS WITH THE CORRECT BIKE PARTS.

Brake Time!
Did you know there are two different types of bicycle brakes? Check the type of brakes that you have on your bike or that you have seen before.

- **Backpedal Brakes:**
  When you press backwards on your pedals, your wheels will stop turning.

- **Handlebar Brakes:**
  When you squeeze the brakes on your handlebars, your bike will stop.

**LABEL the BIKE PARTS**

Helmet Fit Check

Do you know how to properly fit your helmet? Put your helmet on your head. Then, match these steps with the images below by **DRAWING A LINE FROM THE IMAGE TO THE HELMET FIT CHECK STEP.**

1. **Eyes**
   - Look up.
   - Check: can you see the brim of your helmet?

2. **Ears**
   - Buckle your helmet.
   - Check: Do the straps form a “V” beneath your earlobes?

3. **Mouth**
   - Open your mouth.
   - Check: Is your chin strap snug when your mouth is open?
ABC QUICK CHECK

Check your bike to make sure it’s safe and in good condition to ride before you jump in the saddle. FOLLOW THE ABC QUICK CHECK STEPS BY MATCHING EACH STEP’S ORANGE LETTER TO THE RIGHT PLACE ON THE BIKE.

AIR: do your tires have enough air when you squeeze them?

BRAKES: When you squeeze, do they stop the tires?

CHAIN: Is your chain threaded over the sprocket and properly oiled?

QUICK RELEASE: Are your quick release levers on tight so the wheel doesn’t come loose?

CHECK YOUR SEAT: is it a proper height for you to pedal?

CHECK YOUR HANDLEBARS: Do you have a light and/or bell mounted?
USING HAND SIGNALS for SAFETY

Imagine this person is bicycling forward, and you are looking at the back of the person. LABEL THE HAND SIGNALS WITH THE PROPER MEANING.

Older students! Have you and your parents or guardian talked about riding on the street safely? If you're ready to ride on the street, show us what you can do with this challenge.

Rules of the Road

True (T) or False (F): Which of these rules of the road do we need to follow when riding a bike on the street?

1. Obey all traffic laws and signs (just like cars) T / F
2. Always ride on the sidewalk T / F
3. Wear a properly fitted helmet T / F
4. Swerve in and out of parked cars to give space to passing cars. T / F
5. Ride on the left side of the street against traffic T / F
6. Use lights and bright clothing when riding at night T / F
7. Always let cars go before you at intersections T / F
8. Always use hand signals T / F

Answers: A: Slowing, B: Turning left, C: Turning right, D: Turning right
READY FOR A CHALLENGE?

Show what you’ve learned about walking and rolling by doing this CROSSWORD PUZZLE!
ACROSS

1. A two-wheeled vehicle that we move using pedal power!
2. We stop at the ________ of the street before looking and crossing.
3. This is one of Cs you check when doing your ABC Quick Check!
4. Make eye ________ with drivers before crossing the street in front of cars.
5. Using hand ________ tells others on the street where we will move next.
6. Some pedestrians use this 4-wheeled mobility device to get around.
7. Using our feet or other active ways to get around, instead of driving, is good for the ________.
8. We use this to cross the street.

DOWN

1. I wear ________ colored clothing so others can see me better.
2. A person who walks or uses a mobility device to get around.
3. Disconnect from ________, such as phones and music when walking and rolling.
4. Walking and rolling are good ways to get active, which is good for our ________!

ANSWERS

ACROSS

1. Bike
2. Edge
3. Chain
4. Look
5. Bright
6. Health
7. Distractions
8. Signals
9. Wheelchair
10. Environment
11. Crosswalk
12. Left, right, left and all around before crossing the street.

DOWN

1. Bright
2. Pedestrian
3. Distractions
4. Edge
5. Chain
6. Health
7. Connect
8. Signals
12. Look
Color me!
Do you live too far to walk or roll to school? Think about other places you can walk or roll to, such as the library, park, or a friend's house. Plan your route using that as your destination.

EXPLORE YOUR ROUTE

Before you grab your backpack and tie your shoes, do you know the way to walk or roll to school? Plan your route before you leave!

Your route is made up of the streets you will walk on, crosswalks you will cross, and the turns you will make to arrive at school.

Let’s get started planning your route.
Use these steps to get started planning how you would walk or roll to school:

1. Think about where you live and where your school is.
2. Think about a safe route to school, using the tips below! Then describe your route out loud.
3. Draw the route you would take. If you’re stuck, work with your parent to look at a map and plan it together.
4. Color your map, adding in any of these objects.

Not sure of the best way to get to school? Look for routes with the following items for a more comfortable trip:

- Sidewalks or paths
- Cars driving slowly
- Not many cars
- Stop lights & pedestrian crossing signals
- Clearly marked crosswalks
- Other people walking or biking
- Bright lighting when it’s dark
- Neighbors watching out for each other

Do you see any of these objects along your route? ADD THEM TO YOUR MAP.

- Lake or River
- Stop Sign
- Trees
- Stop Light
- Crossing Guard
- Crosswalk
- Building
If you’re not sure, ask your parent to use the computer to look at an online map.

If you’re interested in biking, you can even use Google Map’s bicycling view to help you plan your route.

If you cannot walk to school, plan your route to a park, the library, or a friend’s house!
Are you ready to try out your walking or rolling route?

CHECK THE BOXES FOR WHAT YOU HAVE DONE TO GET YOURSELF READY!

- [ ] I’ve learned basic traffic safety skills by completing pages 6-24 of this workbook!
- [ ] I’ve mapped out and drawn my route.
- [ ] I’ve talked with my parent or guardian about my route. We have planned to do it together.

Lace up those shoes, strap on a helmet (if you’re rolling), and let’s go explore this route! Keep your head up, looking and listening along your way.

USE THE BINGO OR SCAVENGER HUNT SHEETS ON THE NEXT PAGES. Stop to fill out your bingo or scavenger hunt on the sidewalk, or out of the street.
Play B-I-N-G-O on your route adventure!

While you are walking or rolling along your route, have your parent help you navigate. If you are biking, scooting, or rolling in some other way, ask your parent to hold onto the BINGO card. There are two BINGO cards so you and a friend, parent, or sibling can play, too! Here's how:

🌟 Stop at every corner, crosswalk, alley, and driveway to look for cars.

🌟 When you are stopped, look at your BINGO sheet. Do you see any of the things shown on your BINGO sheet, but in real life? If so, place an “X” over the image.

🌟 Once you find all the things in one line (vertical, horizontal, or diagonal), you can call out BINGO!

HOORAY! Do a safety dance once you get to school to celebrate winning BINGO and following your route!
## ROUTE BINGO

Play B-I-N-G-O on your route adventure!

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Best for Pre K - 2nd Grade
**ROUTE BINGO**

Play **B-I-N-G-O** on your route adventure!

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ROUTE SCAVENGER HUNT

Find these items on your route to school and draw them in the spaces below!

Can you find and draw them all?

☆ Be sure to stop in a safe place to draw what you find—or draw them once you get back home.

☆ Whatever you don’t find, you can draw later when you get back home. Hint: page 11 may help if you get stuck!

☆ If you don’t know what one of these looks like, how could you find out?

PEDESTRIAN
(other than you, your sibling, friend, or parent)

BUS
(public bus or school bus)
STOP SIGN

CROSSWALK

SCHOOL ZONE SIGN
(hint: you will find these on streets when you get close to school)

BICYCLE
(parked or with someone biking)

CAR

PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL
(hint: these electronic signals change from a walking person to a hand)

TRAFFIC SIGNAL
(hint: these are red, yellow, and green)

SIDEWALK
RIDE THAT BUS

If you can’t walk or roll, riding the bus is a great way to get to school!
WHY WE RIDE

Riding the bus gives you time to be with friends before and after school or enjoy reading a book. When you take the bus instead of ride in a family car, you help lower the number of cars around school. Fewer cars around school means less traffic and cleaner air!

Follow these tips to ride the bus safely.

GOING TO SCHOOL

★ Leave home with lots of time to get to the bus stop before the bus comes.
★ Walk with your parent, a trusted adult, or sibling to the bus stop.
★ Stand at least three GIANT steps away from the curb when waiting.
★ Wait for the bus to come to a complete stop and for the stop sign paddles to pop out before getting closer.
★ Once you are on the bus, stay seated and facing forward.

COMING HOME

★ First, find your bus. If you aren’t sure which one is yours, ask your teacher or another school staff to help.
★ Hop on the bus, find your seat, and face forward.
★ When it’s your turn to get off, wait for the bus to come to a complete stop.
★ Once your bus driver gives you the okay, stand up and exit the bus.
★ If you need to cross the road, cross in front of the bus only once your bus driver gives you the okay to cross.

Always follow the bus driver’s directions. Their job is to keep you safe on the way to and from school!
Yossi and Jayden are the first to get on their buses each morning and greet their friends as they get on along the way.

CAN YOU HELP THEM GET TO SCHOOL BY LEADING THEIR BUSES THROUGH THIS MAZE? THEN, CIRCLE THE BUS WITH THE FASTEST ROUTE TO SCHOOL.
Help this bus take shape by connecting the dots. Then, color in the bus!
CARPOOL TO SCHOOL

Sharing is Caring. And so is carpooling!

When we carpool to school with our classmates and friends, we help care for the environment and each other!

How is that?

It helps my mom get to work when I get a ride to and from school with you. It also means one less family car driving and polluting near school. PLUS! I get to spend time with you!

Parents:
Interested in forming a carpool? Find families to carpool, bike, or walk together with at kingcounty.gov/SchoolPool
FILL IN THE BLANK
CARPOOLS EDITION

FIND YOUR CARPOOL BUDDY OR FAMILY MEMBER! Have one person read the bolded clues below and have the other person choose a word for each clue. After you fill in all of the blanks, read your story out loud and have a good laugh!

You and your friend ________________ are carpooling to school today! You eat a healthy ________________, put on your ________________, grab your ________________. and say goodbye to your pet ________________: ________________ and you hop in your family car.

buckle your ________________, and head to ________________ house. ________________ waves when they see you pull up to their home and ________________ to ________________. "They’re here! Don’t forget your ________________!” Your friend hops in the car and buckles up.

Along the way, you both decide to play a(n) ________________ game called I Spy. You start: “I spy with my little eye something ________________.” Your friend looks around. “Is it a(n) ________________?” “No.” “Is it a(n) ________________?” “No.” “Is it a(n) ________________?” “Wow, yep, you got it so ________________!” As you get close to school, your parent slows down in the School Zone and pays extra ________________ since there are so many students ________________ and ________________ to school. Once in the drop off zone, you ________________ until your parent comes to a complete ________________, before ________________ unbuckling your seatbelt, grabbing your ________________ and ________________ the door. “Bye, ________________.”

“Good bye you two! I hope you have a(n) ________________ day!” What a fun way to start the day!
LEAD the WAY

CIRCLE YOUR FAVORITE WAY to get to/from school and tell us why it’s your favorite

I like

- WALKING/ROLLING
- BIKING/SCOOTING
- TAKING THE BUS
- CARPOOLING

because __________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________

DRAW YOURSELF ON YOUR WAY TO SCHOOL using the favorite way you circled above.

Walk & Roll Artist
**GREEN SNEAKER CHALLENGE**

Challenge your family to walk, bicycle, scoot, skate, and roll in your neighborhood for 30-days!*

FILL IN THE MONTH AND DATES OF THAT MONTH ON THE CALENDAR BELOW. Place a celebratory [✓] or sticker for each day you and your family take a walk and roll in your neighborhood.

Month: ____________________________

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* Exercise indoors if necessary.

Remember that fresh air and physical activity are essential for our physical and emotional health!

Maintain social distance and stay close to home while taking advantage of this time to build knowledge about bicycle and/or pedestrian safety, health, the environment, and your community!
Following walking rules

- Look left, right, and behind before crossing at corners
- Follow traffic signals
- Use paths and sidewalks, where provided

Walking predictably

- Walk - don’t run - across the street
- Watch for cars turning or pulling out of driveways

Having a safety plan

- Develop a plan with your parent or trusted adult in case of a problem while walking

Staying aware

- Don’t text or talk on cell phones while walking
- Don’t listen to music with headphones while walking

Before biking alone, students should be confident in:

**Following biking rules**
- Ride on the right side with traffic
- Stop at stop signs and look left, right, and behind
- Use proper hand signals when turning

**Riding predictably**
- No swerving in and out of parked cars
- Make eye contact with drivers at intersections
- Ride in a single file line when biking in groups

**Having a safety plan**
- Develop a plan with your parent or trusted adult in case of a problem while biking

**Having the right gear**
- Wear a helmet
- Have air in the tires and check brakes
- Have white lights in the front and red lights in the rear of the bike

**Staying aware**
- Don’t text or talk on cell phones while biking
- Don’t listen to music with headphones while biking
Color me!
Color me!
Want more fun?

★ Check out Cascade Bicycle Club's new bicycling activities:
cascade.org/learn

★ Play BINGO inside:
sonomasaferoutes.org/content/
green-sneaker-30-day-family-challenge

★ Watch pedestrian safety videos for ages 5-9 and 10-14 years old:
www.pedbikeinfo.org/pedsaferjourney

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Find out more about walking, rolling, bussing, and carpooling safety tips, events, and activities at Kingcounty.gov/SchoolPool.