



SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

Task Force Meeting

06/17/2020

AGENDA

1. Introductions
2. SRTS Program Updates
3. Next Year Student Transportation and SRTS Priorities
4. City Project Updates
5. Announcements



1) INTRODUCTIONS

INTRODUCTIONS

- Name
- Agency / Organization



2) SRTS PROGRAM UPDATES

2019-2020 EVALUATION

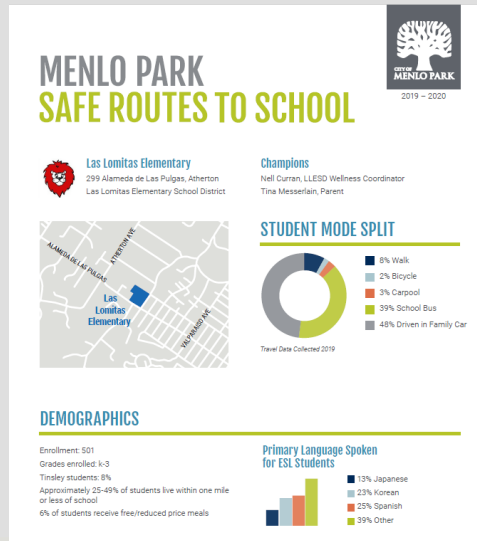
School Administration Survey

- Sent in March 2020 to private and public schools in Menlo Park.
- Completed by 10 public schools



School Summaries

- Demographic data, Student Travel Data, SRTS Champions, Challenges and Opportunities, Recommendations





2019-2020 EVALUATION



SRTS Annual Report

- 2019-2020 Highlights and Activities, Challenges and Opportunities, Recommendations and
- Recommendations and Priorities based on the School Administration Survey, Task Force meeting discussions, stakeholder meetings.

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Meetings (March 2020 meeting was cancelled due to COVID-19)

18

Total attendees (average participation of 10 attendees per meeting)

TOPICS

Stakeholder communication
Walk and Roll Maps
Demonstration projects
Student travel hand tallies
Open data collision map and traffic safety
SRTS programming and milestones
Crossing guards

SRTS Task Force, Annual Report 2019-2020

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Participating school in SRTS activities*

- 7 elementary schools
- 2 middle schools
- 2 high schools
- 1 private school

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Schools celebrated International Walk and Roll to School Day

Existing SRTS efforts, Annual Report 2019-2020

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Schools celebrated Bike to School Day

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Parent or staff champions at seven schools

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Public schools have completed a school administration survey (March 2020)

MENLO PARK SRTS CURRICULUM

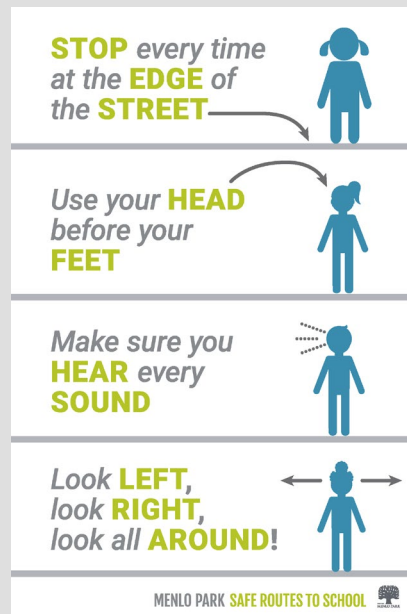
Pedestrian Safety Curriculum for PE teachers

Lessons broken out by day (1-6) and grade level (K-2, 3-5)

- Meets California State learning standards (Physical Education and Health Standards)
- Ped safety lessons match physical activities
- Education PE Kit



City of Tacoma Pedestrian Safety Curriculum, [The News Tribunes](#), June 2019



Menlo Park Pedestrian Crossing Rhyme Poster



Sample of the Curriculum Plan | Week 1 (2 lessons)

DAY	GRADES K – 2	GRADES 3 – 5
Week 1		
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Relate with walking as a way to get around• Describe the importance of walking• Define basic transportation-related terminology• Learn basic crossing safety process	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Relate with walking as a way to get around• Describe the importance of walking• Define basic + intermediate transportation-related terminology• Learn basic crossing safety process
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review basic crossing safety steps• Identify basic traffic signals• Basic road rules and predictability	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review basic crossing safety steps• Describe dressing to be seen at night• Identify basic + advanced traffic signals• Basic road rules and predictability• Define additional terminology

MENLO PARK SRTS CURRICULUM



Activity Book

For students, families and teachers

- Walking and Biking Safety Tips
- Rules of the Road
- Vocabulary (sharrow, traffic sign, etc.)
- Bike Maintenance, ABC Quick Check
- Helmet Fitting
- Hand Signal

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Walk & Roll Activity Book

Walking and Biking Safety Tips

Fun Games!
Activities!
And more inside!





MENLO PARK SRTS PROGRAM | NEXT YEAR OVERVIEW



- SRTS budget halved for FY2020-21 due to budget deficits
- Few engagement events if any at all
- Emphasis next year more on coordination/support rather than events
- Using budget to retain SRTS Coordinator to assist schools and districts with educational materials, engagement, grant applications, etc.

3) NEXT YEAR SRTS PRIORITIES



STUDENT TRANSPORTATION AND SRTS PRIORITIES



- Menlo-Atherton High School, Nick Muys, Assistant Principal
- Las Lomas Elementary School District, Nell Curran, Wellness Coordinator
- Menlo Park City School District
- Ravenswood City School District



M-A Transportation Overview

The Basics:

- **2,499 students**
- **No district-provided buses (except for those provided per IEPs)**
- **BGCP: PM bus to EPA.**
- **Public transportation: SamTrans routes (81; 86; 296); M1 and M2 Shuttles**
 - **Discounted bus passes**



M-A Transportation: What's Going Well

- **2019 W-Trans Audit (November):**
 - **Students driving themselves:** 15% (2018) to 10% (2019)
 - **Students picked up from school:** 31% (2018) to 33% (2019)
 - **Walking/ Rolling *to* school:** 35% (2018) to 40% (2019)
 - **Walking/ Rolling *from* school:** 41% (2018) to 53% (2019)
 - **Decrease in overall AM driving:** 70% (2015) to 60% (2019)
 - **Decrease in overall PM driving:** 63% (2015) to 49% (2019)
 - ***Increase* in overall non-car AM:** 39% (2015) to 43% (2019)



M-A Transportation: What's Going Well

Bike Shed Program/ "M-A on the Move":

- **Bike donation=> repair => redonate**
 - **Need**
 - **Theft**
- **Restorative practices**
- **Community**
- **Lock rentals**



M-A Transportation: Challenges

- **Equity**
- **Access/ route safety**
- **Human capital**
- **Security/ theft**
- **Safety**
- **Community perception**
- **Covid-19**



M-A Transportation

Goals 2020-21

- **Expand Bike Shed program**
- **Safety education**
- **Improve security**
- **Build and nurture partnerships**
- **Transportation: gateway to activism and agency**



LAS LOMITAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT UPDATES



- Nell Curran, Wellness Coordinator

MENLO PARK CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT UPDATES



	Laurel Elementary	Hillview Middle
Priorities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide biking safety instruction for incoming Upper Campus (grades 3-5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide biking safety instruction for incoming 6th graders• Integrate biking safety and health curriculum into PE program
SRTS Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• September Bike Rodeo for 3rd grade• September Bike Safety Education Class Lessons• September Bike Safety Classes during PE classes• Bike Safety Assemblies (<i>TURNED INTO CLASS MEETINGS</i>) for 4th and 5th grade students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bike rodeos for 6th grade students• In-house contests to promote walking/biking to school

MENLO PARK CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT UPDATES



	Laurel Elementary	Hillview Middle
Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bike Safety classes in PE for grades 3, 4, 5• Parent/community communications to promote less driving and reinforcing of safe biking practices	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Instructional/curricular training for PE teachers• Parent/community communications to promote less driving and reinforcing of safe biking practices• Continued collaboration with Menlo Police Department to incentivize safe biking practices
Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continued financial assistance from the County and District to put on bike rodeos• Potential PE curriculum from the County's SRTS program• Continued communication from the County program on walking/biking contests and upcoming professional development sessions	

RAVENSWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT UPDATES



- Willow Oaks Elementary school merges with Belle Haven Elementary School
- Working on re-opening plans



4) CITY PROJECT UPDATES

TRANSPORTATION PROJECT UPDATES

- Middle Avenue Pedestrian/Bicycle Rail Crossing Project
- Sharon Road Street Improvement Project (near La Entrada School)
- Chilco Street Bike Lane
- Downtown Santa Cruz Avenue



**THANK YOU!
HAPPY SUMMER!**