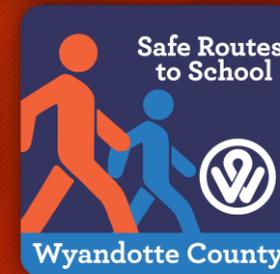


How Creative Partnerships lead to a well-rounded Safe Route to School Program:

*Crossing Guards, Walking School Bus,
Education, Engagement, and Infrastructure*



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Objectives

- Attendees will learn a uniform process to hire, train and oversee crossing guards and how to get connected with schools
- How our programs are implementing infrastructure improvements
- How local municipalities can rally behind this work and support, and how leveraging local government resources builds sustainable relationships.
- Ways to utilize alternative programming such as funding for champions
- How equity and diversity is addressed when supporting schools

History

City of Austin SRTS

- 1991 - Crossing Guard Program
- 1995 - Education Program
- 2015 - Engagement Program
- 2016 - Bond Program

Wyandotte County SRTS

- 2007 - Safety & Infrastructure Need Assessment
- 2010 - Walking School Bus Program began in coordination with sidewalk construction
- 2013 - Partner with Bike Walk KC
- 2018 Pedestrian Safety Curriculum

Partnerships

City of Austin SRTS

- School Districts
- City of Austin Departments (Transportation, Police, Parks and Recreation, Development Services, etc..)
- Safe Kids Austin
- Parent Teacher Association (PTA)
- Community (Grass Roots Organizations and Biking Organizations)

Wyandotte County SRTS

- UG Public Works
- School District
- BikeWalk KC
- UG Health Department
- Police Department
- Crossing Guard Program
- Community Organizations

Crossing Guards

- Service 7 school districts
 - Austin ISD
 - Leander ISD
 - Round Rock ISD
 - Del Valle ISD
 - Eanes ISD
 - Pflugerville ISD
 - Manor ISD
- 7 Crossing Guard Supervisors
- 21 Supervisor Assistants
- Over 200 crossing guards



Walking School Bus Program

- Over 1,000 students walking
- 40 Elementary Schools Participating
- Two KCK School Districts (USD500/USD202)
- Weekly & Daily Walking School Bus groups
- Lead by Adult School Champions
- Champions are supported by a stipend
- Technical Assistance organized by BikeWalkKC



Infrastructure

City of Austin SRTS

- Bond Funded
- \$27.5 Million
- Creation of Infrastructure Report
- Build out 2016-2024

Wyandotte County SRTS

- 2010-2022 SRTS Programming
- Constructed 10 miles of sidewalk
- \$10 million of Federal/Local funds
- School Signing and Crosswalk Upgrades
- Coordinated School Building Improvements

School Engagement

City of Austin SRTS

- BOW WOW
- Principal Coffees
- CATCH Nights
- Bike Rodeos
- PTA Meetings
- Safety Patrol

Wyandotte County SRTS

- Individual school outreach
 - Principals\Staff\Champions
 - PTA & School Events
- SRTS Events
 - Breakfast of Champions Celebration
 - Regional SRTS Summit
- BikeWalkKC Bike Programming
- **SRTS Road Map**

WYCO Safe Routes to School Road Map



Engage

Implement

Sustain

Education

City of Austin SRTS

- 5 Training Staff at 2 schools everyday
- Service over 100 Schools
- Train over 48,000 students
- Rotate through 6 younger lessons and 6 older lessons

Wyandotte County SRTS

- WSB and Technical Assistance
- Pedestrian Safety Education
- Safety Patrol
- Traffic Circulation Evaluation
- Total of 40 elementary schools

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