Bike Education in Minneapolis Public Schools
Safe Routes to School

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Mission

Minneapolis Public Schools exists to provide a high quality, anti-racist, culturally responsive education for every Minneapolis student.

Vision

All students – regardless of their background, zip code, and personal needs – will receive an anti-racist, holistic education that builds essential knowledge to prepare students for future success.
Minneapolis Public Schools

- 29,000 students
- 13,200 elementary
- 1,200 K-8
- 5,200 middle
- 8,900 high
- 18% English language learners
- 57% Qualify for FRL

### Student demographics

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Nurturing ALL children through access to quality food and active living.
Bike Education in Minneapolis Public Schools

Why, context
A brief history
Support
Ms. Grimes
Minneapolis, a Biking City

- Minneapolis consistently a top-ranked city for bicycling
- We have more than 129 miles of on-street bikeways and 97 miles of off-street bikeways
- About 5% of commuters are bike commuters
- The goal is to be at 15% bicycle mode share by 2025 (Climate Action Plan)
- The City invests millions of dollar each year to improve bicycling infrastructure
Safe Routes to School

State Vision:
Youth in Minnesota can safely, confidently, and conveniently walk, bike, and roll to school and in daily life.

MPS Wellness Policy:
School environments shall ... promote walking, biking and rolling to, from and while at school and work by students and staff.
2012: School-Owned Bike Fleets
2013: MPS Leads!

Want to learn more this year? Walk or bike to school.
2014-2015: Traveling Bike Fleet

Fall
  Marcy
  Cityview
  Whittier

Spring
  Bethune
  Justice Page
  Lyndale
2016-2017 SRTS Planning: MPS SRTS Priorities:

1) On-bicycle education for all 4th and 5th graders

2) Walking & biking field trips used as field trip transportation
MPS League Cycling Instructors
Bike Safety Education in MPS Today

- Four traveling bike fleets
- Priority fourth and fifth grade
- Mainly during health or PE
- 100+ MPS staff have completed bicycle safety training
- 2021-2022 school year: 25 schools, 10,000 miles, 300 brand new riders
Three Ways You Can Help

Bike Maintenance
At a Let’s Roll Event
At a School
Bicycle Maintenance:
Let’s Roll MPS

All are invited

May 3, 3PM from the Culinary Center

June 1, 3PM from Sullivan/Anishinabe

https://cws.mpls.k12.mn.us/let_s_roll_mps
Kids will be biking at their MPS schools pretty much every day this spring:

April 17 – June 15
Today was my first time riding for a long distance. It was so awesome. I REALLY hope we can go again.

I really liked the part when we took pictures at the lake and I'm happy because we're not polluting the world like in other field trips where you take a bus and go somewhere. I never knew that exercise was so much fun. Now I want to ride my bike every day.
It was long and painful and my legs are killing me, but it was worth it. I really love that you gave us this chance.

When I rode the bike greenway, I felt like I was flying.
Today will probably be one of my favorite days of this year.
LET’S GO!!!

Minneapolis Public Schools
Walking and Biking Field Trip Guide

OCTOBER 2018
We biked the whole lake tonight just the two of us....so glad we had the bike unit at school. We knew exactly what to do!! Thanks Marty and Jennifer for teaching us!
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Biking June 5 – June 15 (+)

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THANK YOU!

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