

# NJ SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PARENT/CAREGIVER SURVEY EVALUATION

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### **Report and Survey Background:**

- School: Lincoln School
- **City:** New Brunswick, New Jersey
- Number of Surveys: 187
  - Number of Surveys in Spanish: 101
  - Number of Surveys in English: 60
  - Number of surveys in English and Spanish : 26

### **Purpose of Survey:**

The goal of this survey is to understand any issues or concerns parents have with allowing their child to walk or bike to school. The information gathered from this survey will be used to support local, state and national Safe Routes to School programs. Safe Routes to School (SRTS) is a nationwide effort to encourage more and safer walking and bicycling to school.

All survey responses have been kept confidential and neither the parent respondent nor their child's name have been associated with the results.

### **Executive Summary:**

- The largest response rate was from the parents of the eighth grade class.
- The majority of the respondents indicated that their child is not bused to school.
- The most frequently reported travel method was walking to and from school five days per week.
- Most children who walk do so with other children
- Most respondents did not know the driving distance to school
- When driving, the most respondents indicated that the trip takes less than 5 minutes.
- "15-20 minutes" was the most common answer for how long it takes to walk to school
- Most respondents don't know if the school encourages walking to and from school.
- Most respondents don't know if the school encourages biking to and from school.
- "Stranger Danger" and Personal Safety (theft, gangs, abandoned buildings, stray dogs) appear to strongly affect the respondent's decision regarding whether their child walks or bikes to school



**Question 2: What is this child's grade?** 

| Street 1          | Street 2          | # |
|-------------------|-------------------|---|
| French            | Somerset          | 9 |
| French            | Louis             | 8 |
| Easton            | Hamilton          | 7 |
| Hamilton          | Louis Street      | 7 |
| French            | Suydam            | 5 |
| French            | Jersey Ave        | 4 |
| Somerset          | Plum              | 4 |
| Baldwin Street    | Jersey            | 3 |
| Delavan           | Jersey Ave        | 3 |
| Hamilton          | Bartlett          | 3 |
| Route 27          | Jersey Ave        | 3 |
| James             | Somerset          | 3 |
| Luis              | Plum St           | 3 |
| Somerset          | Easton            | 3 |
| Ball Street       | Somerset Street   | 2 |
| Courtland         | Easton            | 2 |
| Easton Ave        | Somerset          | 2 |
| Hamilton          | Somerset          | 2 |
| Lee Avenue        | Commercial Avenue | 2 |
| Livingston Avenue | Lee Avenue        | 2 |
| Michell           | Quenten           | 2 |
| Seaman            | Livingston        | 2 |
| Bayard            | Railroad          | 1 |
| Casto Ave.        | French            | 1 |
| Easton            | Franklin          | 1 |
| Easton            | Prospers          | 1 |
| Easton avenue     | Park boulevard    | 1 |
| French            | Coswel            | 1 |
| French            | Joyce Kilmer      | 1 |
| French            | Harve             | 1 |
| Hamilton          | Harvey            | 1 |
| Hamilton          | Easton            | 1 |
| Hamilton          | Louis Street      | 1 |
| Hamilton          | Plum              | 1 |
| Hamilton          | Harvey            | 1 |
| Hamilton          | Bartlet           | 1 |
| James             | Alexander         | 1 |
| Jersey Ave        | Handy Street      | 1 |
| Lee               | Remsen            | 1 |
| lincoln st        | Harvey            | 1 |
| Livingston        | Lawrence          | 1 |
| Livingston        | Sandford          | 1 |
| Livingston        | Joyce Kilmer      | 1 |

### **Question 3: What is the street intersection nearest your home?**

| Louis          | Plum St       | 1 |
|----------------|---------------|---|
| Louis          | Somerset      | 1 |
| Louis          | Somerset      | 1 |
| Louis          | Somerset      | 1 |
| Manor Crescent | Route 1 North | 1 |
| Plum           | Hamilton      | 1 |
| Route 18 North | Route 1 South | 1 |
| Route 27       | Oxford        | 1 |
| Route 27       | Mitchell Ave  | 1 |
| Route 27       | Oliver Avenue | 1 |
| Somerset       | Handy         | 1 |
| Somerset       | Hamilton      | 1 |
| Somerset       | Route 27      | 1 |
| Somerset       | Brookside     | 1 |
| Thalma         | Livingston    | 1 |
| Tunison        | Route 18      | 1 |
| Wilcox         | Somerset      | 1 |

**Question 4: Does your school district provide this child with busing?** 



Question 5: How many days per week does this child go to school and get home from school using the types of transportation listed below, during a typical 5-day school week?

| # of Children | Arrival Method   |
|---------------|--|
| 85            | walk to school 5 days per week                             |
| 1             | walk to school 2 days per week                             |
| 4             | walk to school 1 day per week                              |
|               |  |
| 1             | bikes to school 5 days per week                            |
|               |  |
| 25            | take the school bus 5 days per week                        |
| 1             | takes the school bus 1 day per week                        |
|               |  |
| 33            | arrives at school in a family vehicle 5 days per week      |
| 8             | arrives at school in a family vehicle 1 day per week       |
|               |  |
| 19            | carpool to school 5 days per week                          |
| 1             | carpool to school 3 days per week                          |
| 4             | carpool to school 1 day per week                           |
|               |  |
| 1             | uses transit 5 days per week                               |
|               |  |
| 6             | student uses other means of transportation 5 days per week |
| 1             | student uses other means of transportation 1 day per week  |

| # of Children | Departure Method   |
|---------------|--|
| 89            | walk from school 5 days per week                           |
| 5             | walk from school 1 day per week                            |
|               |  |
| 1             | bikes from school 5 days per week                          |
|               |  |
| 20            | takes the school bus home 5 days per week                  |
|               |  |
| 30            | leave school in a family vehicle 5 days per week           |
| 8             | Leave school in a family vehicle 1 day per week            |
|               |  |
| 17            | carpool home 5 days per week                               |
|               |  |
| 1             | uses transit 5 days per week                               |
|               |  |
| 4             | student uses other means of transportation 5 days per week |
| 1             | student uses other means of transportation 2 days per week |



## **Question 6:** If your child walks or bikes to school, who do they travel with most often?

**Question 7:** What is the shortest driving distance between your home and school?



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Question 8: When you drive your child to school, how long

Question 9: If this child walks or bikes to school, how long on average, does it take to travel from your home to school?



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**Question 10: Does your child's school encourage walking to and from school?** 





**Question 11: Does your child's school encourage biking to and from school?** 

## **Question 12:** How important are the following reasons this child walks or bikes to school?

|  | Strongly<br>Agree | Agree | Neither<br>Agree nor<br>Disagree | Disagree | Strongly<br>Disagree |
|--|-------------------|-------|----------------------------------|----------|----------------------|
| My child does not walk or bike to school.<br>(check box) (16% checked the box)                 |                   |       |                                  |          | ·                    |
| My child thinks it is fun to walk or bike to school.   | 17%               | 41%   | 14%                              | 18%      | 10%                  |
| It is healthy to walk or bike to school.   | 29%               | 37%   | 14%                              | 13%      | 7%                   |
| It is part of our family's physical activity.  | 13%               | 33%   | 30%                              | 17%      | 7%                   |
| It is good for the environment (saves gas, cleaner air, etc.)                                  | 22%               | 44%   | 13%                              | 14%      | 7%                   |
| This child likes to socialize with friends & neighbors while walking or biking to/from school. | 18%               | 36%   | 21%                              | 16%      | 9%                   |

## **Question 13:** What affects your decision regarding whether your child walks or bikes to school?

|   | Affects my decision greatly | Affects my decision somewhat | Affects my decision a little | Does Not<br>affect my<br>decision |
|---|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Distance  | 37%                         | 12%                          | 16%                          | 35%                               |
| Weather   | 44%                         | 14%                          | 15%                          | 27%                               |
| Family schedule   | 33%                         | 9%                           | 18%                          | 40%                               |
| Child's before and after school activities                      | 23%                         | 12%                          | 25%                          | 40%                               |
| Lack of sidewalks   | 32%                         | 14%                          | 15%                          | 39%                               |
| Lack of bikeways and/or bike parking                            | 25%                         | 13%                          | 13%                          | 49%                               |
| Weight of book bags   | 41%                         | 9%                           | 20%                          | 30%                               |
| Child does not own a bicycle                                    | 32%                         | 4%                           | 13%                          | 51%                               |
| Speed of traffic along school route                             | 53%                         | 12%                          | 13%                          | 22%                               |
| Too many cars along school route                                | 52%                         | 12%                          | 17%                          | 19%                               |
| Availability of adult supervision                               | 38%                         | 13%                          | 23%                          | 26%                               |
| Other children to walk or bike with                             | 27%                         | 12%                          | 20%                          | 41%                               |
| Availability of crossing guards                                 | 41%                         | 14%                          | 13%                          | 32%                               |
| Unsafe crossings and<br>intersections                           | 56%                         | 16%                          | 10%                          | 18%                               |
| Bullying  | 56%                         | 8%                           | 12%                          | 24%                               |
| Personal safety (theft, gangs, abandoned buildings, stray dogs) | 61%                         | 10%                          | 12%                          | 17%                               |
| "Stranger Danger"   | 72%                         | 5%                           | 10%                          | 13%                               |
| Vehicle traffic in pickup/drop-off<br>area                      | 43%                         | 17%                          | 16%                          | 24%                               |
| Child has a disability  | 17%                         | 10%                          | 6%                           | 67%                               |
| Other:  | 28%                         | 5%                           | 0%                           | 67%                               |

Those who selected "other" did not specify

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## **Question 14:** From the above, please circle the reason that affects your decision the most?

Only 16 respondents chose to complete question 14. The following is a list of their answers.

| Reason affecting decision the most  | # |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Personal safety                     | 5 |
| Child does not own a bicycle        | З |
| "Stranger Danger"                   | 3 |
| Weather                             | 1 |
| Too many cars along school route    | 1 |
| Speed of traffic along school route | 1 |
| Distance                            | 1 |
| Child has a disability              | 1 |

### Question 15: Please provide any additional comments or concerns about safe walking or biking to school?

The following is a complete list of all the comments or concerns expressed by the respondents:

| Concerns  |
|---|
| caminar or ir en bicileta a la escuela es bueno para protejer el medio ambiente y le sirve al nino  |
| para hacer ejercicios ya que ultimamente los ninos solo se dedican aver televicion o jugar en la    |
| computadora (To walk or bike to school is good for protecting the environment and it makes the      |
| kid exercise since ultimately kids only dedicate time to watching tv or playing on the computer.)   |
| es muy peligroso para la seguridad de los ninos creo que es necesario transporte para ellos         |
| (its very dangerous for the security of the kids I think that it's necessary transport for them.)   |
| los automobilistas no respetar a los peatones ni halos queandan en biciletas (drivers dont          |
| respect pedestrians or those on bicycles)   |
| yo como madre de mi nina me preocupo mucho de que aveces mi nina se vaya caminando                  |
| sola para la escuela porque su companeras son menor de de edad y estan espuestas a                  |
| cualquier peligro por el camino. pero mas ingreso. no me da para pagarle transportacion. (As        |
| a mother of my child I worry a lot because at times my child goes walking alone to school           |
| because her classmates are younger and are vulnerable to dangers while walking. but my job          |
| doesn't give me money to pay for transportation.  |
| con voluntad y ganas de querer hacer la cosa todo se logra eduquen al gente y haganle saber         |
| que caminar es lo mas saludable. Gracias por alludar aser sanos cada dia mas. (With will and        |
| desire? educate people and make them realize that walking is the healthiest. Thanks for             |
| helping us be healthy another day?)   |
| de que debe haber rutas para biciletas mas seguras (they should have more secure bicycle            |
| routes)   |
| en invierno, despues de el programa de after school no hay suficiente iluminacion (luz) por las     |
| calles que caminan. (in winter, after the after school program, there isn't sufficient lighting for |
| the streets they walk on.)  |
| caminan no es seguro para nadie en este pais no hay seguridad (walking is not safe for anyone       |
| in this country. There is no security.)   |
| mis comentarios de ir caminando o en bicicleta son el peligro de las calles de ninos pelionera      |
| de gente estrana el abuso de los ninos fisicamente. (my comments on walking or biking are the       |
|   |

danger of the streets from dangerous children to strange people physical child abuse.)

el usar bicicletas es muy peligroso para los ninos hay demaciados carros (The use of bicycles is very dangerous for kids. There are too many cars.)

para que mis hijos puedan caminar hacia la escuela es que haya mas seguridad en las calles principales o Ave. porque es la hora que hay mas trafico de carros y por lo tanto eso lo hace hacer mas peligroso cruzar calles, por ejemplo en la french street camino mucho nino y nunca hay vigilantes. (So that my kids can walk towards school there should be more security in the principle streets or Avenues because the hour there is more car traffic and therefore it makes it more dangerous to cross streets, for example French Street. I walk a lot (with my?) child and theres is never monitoring.

el mal desorden de las escuelas porque no apollan en nada no tienen parques seguros para las biciletas. (the disorder of the schools because they don't apollan? in anything they don't have safe parks for bicycles.)

las preocupaciones son que hay veces hay mucho trafico y hace mucho frio por el mal tiempo (the concerns are at times there is a lot of traffic and it's very cold for the bad weather.)

mi hijo no regresa solo ala casa abeses el padre olt la madre lo recoje (my child doesn't come back alone to the house, at times the father or the mother gets him.)

yo pienso que es demaciado arriesgado que los nino vayan en bicicleta porque es muy arriesgado (I think it is too dangerous that the kids bike because its very dangerous.)

de mi parte no me gustaria que mi nino caminara o usar la bicileta para ir a la escuela porque hoy en dia hay mucho peligro en los carreteras

es muy peligroso que los ninos caminen o viajen en bicicleta solos porque por los carros y las pandillas y miedo de personas extranas. (it's very dangerous that kids walk or bike to school alone because of the cars and gangs and fear of strangers)

preocupacion de la velocidad de los carros al crusar las calles (concern about the speed of cars at crossings)

yo pienso que los ms importante es la seguridad de los ninos al caminar por el peligro que puede pasar debido a los vehiculos que transitan por las calles. (I think that the most important is the security of the kids walking for the danger that can happen due to vehicles that travel on the streets)

yo pienso que mi inseguridad es que mi nina es muy distraido y pues a ir caminando o en bicicleta y con amiguitas a ella le podria pasar algun accidente por eso no confio ni que camine ni en bicicleta, mucho menos con amigos. (I think that my insecurity is that my child is very distracted and so going walking or biking and then with friends she could have an accident for this I am not confident in walking or biking, much less with friends.)

Mi preocupacion: afecta que mi nina se valla caminando o en bicicleta ala escuela por eso muhcos mejor decidimos pagar un raid para nuestros hijos y para su seguridad de ellos mismos. (My worry: affects that my child goes walking or biking to school for this is why we decided to pay a raid for our children and for their security.)

me gustaria acompanar siempre a mis hijos a la escuela pero algunas veces tengo que trabajar temprano. (I would like to always accompany my children to school but sometimes I have to work late.)

si me gustaria que mi nino y mi nina fueran en bicileta ala escuela: "pero" el trayecto es muy largo y peligroso y yo qusiera que hubiera mas seguridad en las calles tanto como en la escuelas. (Yes I would like my children to bike to school: BUT the passage is very large and dangerous and I would like that there were more security in the streets as much as in the schools.)

mi hijo es demasiado distraido (my child is too distracted)

bueno no hay mucho que decir pero por si acaso peleas o mala temperatura (there is not much to say but just in case fights or bad temperature.)

caminar o en bicicleta es muy peligro por las calles (walking or biking is very dangerous in the streets)

mi hija no necesita caminar porque yo personalemente me en cargo de llevarla, aparte de eso me preocupa la seguridad de ella tanto de otras personas como tambien con el trafico. (My child doesn't need to walk to school because I am personally in a position to drop her. apart

from this I worry about her security as much as other people and also the traffic.)

me preocupa que muchos conductores no respectan las senales de trafico y manejan a exceso de velocidad no tamndo en cuenta que hay ninos cruzando la calle. (I worry that a lot of drivers don't respect traffic signals and drive at excess speeds they don't take into account there are children crossing the street.)

me preocupa radicalmente por la seguirdad de los ninos llevando bicicleta corren un gran peligro en la calle mas cuando no son acompanados por un adulto p por un hermano mayor o con la mama o con el papa. (I worry radically for the security of the children biking. they run a big danger in the street. more when they aren't accompanied by an adult or an older sibling or with the mom or the dad.)

I want always a school bus for Manuel because has problems walking

the walking to school without adult supervision, too many cars, the availability of crossing guards, unsafe crossings, stranger danger, its street dangerous crimes and gangs. It's not safe to walk to school.

en el invierno poca iluminacion (luz) (In the winter, a little light)

si me gusta que caminen los ninos para ser un buen exgercio (yes I would like kids to walk because its good exercise.)

principalmente es la inseguridad con los conductores iresponsables, a mi personalmente la idea de que caminaran no me desagrada. Pero lo cuito ya que las calles por las que tiene que caminar son muy transitadas. (Principally is the insecurity with irresponsible drivers, personally the idea that they walk doesn't bother me. But the problem? is the streets they have to walk on are very trafficked.)

gracias por fomentar la buena salud. muchas veces no critican porque no tenemos un carro yo en lo personal, tengo 3 hijos 11 anos, 8 anos, y 5 anos mido 5 pies y 6 pulgadas - y peso 130 libras y orgullosamente lo diga - gracias. A que camino mucho en anos no nos hemos enfermado mis hijos y yo. (thank you for promoting good health. A lot of times we don't critisize because we don't have a car. Personally, I have three kids: eleven years, eight years and five years. I measure 5 feet and 6 inches - and weight 130 pounds and proudly say it- thank you. In this way we have no gotten sick in many years my children and me.)

pienso que la bicicleta es peligrosa para los ninos viajar en ella, por los carros que circulan en la calle, los ninos a veces andan distraido y no se fijan en los carros y existen los accidentes. (I think that biking is dangerous for the kids traveling . For her, for the cars that circulate in the street, the kids walk distracted sometimes and don't pay attention to the cars and accidentes happen.)

yo pienso que un poco peligroso ir en bicicleta porque un carro a toda velocidad y el nino nosedce? cuenta y el manejado o tampoco puede ser algo peligroso y por eso no dejo ir a mi nino en bicicleta. (I think that it's a little dangerous to bike because a car at full speed and the child nosedce? doesn't realize? and the driver can do something dangerous and for that I don't let my children go on bike.)

no me gusta que mis hijos anden en bicicleta en la calle porque corren peligros gracias. (I don't like that my kids go on bike in the street because there are dangers. Thanks.)

inseguridad de las calles con el transito (insecurity of the streets with the transit)

mis preocupaciones mas importantes son: falta de personal de seguridad (guardias) para el cruce de calles mas transitadas donde el trafico no respeta las senales de transito y hay peligro para los ninos. cuando el tiempo es malo (nieve) las calles son inseguras de que haya un aciidente (no limpian las calles). Y el peso de la mochila para mis ninos es un riesgo para la salud de ellos. (My most important worries are: lack of security (guards) for the street crossing most trafficked where the traffic doesn't respect the traffic signals and there is danger for the kids. When the weather is bad (snow), the streets are not safe and there can be accidents (don't clean the streets). And the weight of the backpack for my children is a risk for their health.)

para mi no me parece conveniente que los ninos caminen o anden en bicicleta a fuera hay mucho peligro para nuestros hijos especialmente si son menores de 12 anos yo no permitiria que mi hija caminara. (For me it doesn't seem convenient that the children walk or bike outside there is a lot of danger for our kids especially if they are younger than 12 years, I don't permit that my child walk.)

me preocupan muchas cosas especialmente que los companeros mayores de edad le proboquen algun accidente. (I worry about a lot of things especially that the classmates older in age will provoke an accident.)

no tengo comentario algun puesto que que me queda cerca la escuela. (I don't have a comment other than I live close to school.)

camina a pies y cuando yuebe los yebo en carro. (go on foot and when I drop them in car.) A mi me afecta la falta de segurida que hay al ir la escuela por que no hay suficiente segurida en las calles aunque los ninos vayan en bicicleta no va solucionar por en la area donde viva no la hay es una calle donde el trafico es muy ? (What affects me in the lack of security there is going to school because there is not sufficient security in the streets although the kids go on bike ???)

el mal desorden de las escuelas porque no apollan en needa no tienen parqueos seguros para la bicicletas. (The bad order of schools because they don't rely on needa? They don't have secure parking for bikes.)

la verdad me da mucho miedo es que mi hijo muy pequeno y se puede golpear o lo pueden asustar. (the truth is it makes me scared that my child is very small and some one can hit him or make him scared.)

para mi como madre es mejor caminar porque en bicicleta puede ser mas peligroso por los accidentes. (For me as a mother is is better to walk because on bike it can be more dangers because of accidentes.)

me gustaria que hubiera mas seugirdad para que los ninos puedan caminar o ir en bicicleta hacia las escuelas. y que hubiera alguien en cada cruce de luces para que los ninos puedan caminar mas seguros.

siempre y cuando valla un adulto con el nino/a no pasa nada. nosotros somos una familia muy sana porque caminamos. excelente proyecto. felicidades. (Always and when an adult goes with the child nothing happens. We are a very healthy family because we walk.)

para mi que los ninos no deben ir a la escuela en bicicleta porque la hora de la salida son las horas que mas trafico hay por eso acurren muchos accidentes cuandos unos no miran como conducen. por eso los padres de familia deben tomar precauciones por sus hijos. (for me the kids shouldn't go to school on bike because the leaving time are the hours most trafficked. For this a lot of accidents occur when one doesn't watch how they drive. For this the parents of the family should take precaution for their kids.)

bueno, como primer punto: nosotros no contamos con transporte propio. este es el motivo de caminar nosotros somos padres responsables de llevar los a la escuela por los peligros que scan. para nosotros influye el tiempo, trabajo, distancia y el trafico. pero, es la seguridad que nos precupa en lo personal. muchas gracia sra elsa olivos m. (Well as a first point: we don't have our own transport. This is the motive for walking. we are responsible parents for leaving kids at the school for the dangers that exist. For us the influences are weather, work, distance and traffic. but its the personal security that worries us. Thank you very much. Mrs. Elsa Olivos M.)

caminar es un peligro (walking is a danger)

me preocupa que los companeros mayores de edad puedan causarle algun accidente al caminar lo mismo en bicicleta. (I worry that the older classmates can cause some accident when walking, the same on bike.)

lo que le pueda desir no es mucho porque mi nina no camina ni va en bicicleta pero pienso que es un poco peligroso depende la edad del nino pero en mi lugar no me guasta si ninguna de la dos osionne por el peligro. (What I can say isn't much because my child doesn't walk or bike but I think that it's a little dangerous depending on the age of the child but in my place I don't like if none of the two osionne? for the danger.)

porque hay mucho peligro en las calles y enseguridad y robos. (Because there is a lot of danger in the streets and insecurity and thefts.)

mi preocupacion es: la inseguridad de mi hijo al irce caminando o en bicicleta por esos muchos padres preferimos pagar un raid para que llevan a nuestros hijos a la escuela ya que esto es mas seguro. (My worry is: the insecurity of my child going to school walking or on bike for this

a lot of parents prefer to pay "un raid"?? to take our children to school as it's much safer.)

se ponen en peligros de autos y que se los puven? (illegible) (They are put in danger of cars that puven??)

me preocupa que camine sola, y miedo a las personas que andan en las calles. y ademas en donde vivo no hay disponalidad de guardia que cruzan a los ninos. (I worry that she walks alone, and scared of people that walk in the street. And besides, where I live there is no crossing guard to cross the children.)

por cualquier extrano en el camino, el cambio de hora en el invierno; el trafico y las distancias cualquier tipo de personas que peuden hacer dano a los ninos, jovenes o adultos. (For whatever stranger in the street, the change of hours in the winter; the traffic and the distances whatever type of person that can do harm to children, youth or adults.

ninguno (none)

no estoy de acuerdo porque es muy peligroso para ellos (I am not comfortable because it is very dangerous for them.)

el cruse de calles con carros con alta velocidad (the street crossing with cars with high speeds.)

me preocupa que le pueda pasar un accidente (I worry that there can be an accident) ninguna preocupacion (No worry)

crusar hamilton st. con lois st. Crossing Hamilton Street with Lois Street.)

pienso que el nino es pequeno (I think the child is small)

para mi lo pienso que el nino existe con unas entusismo porque comparte con otros amiguito de su misma es que la y a cela (For me I think that the child exists with enthusiasm because to share with other friends.. ???)

gracias a Dios mi nino no va en bicicleta y no camina para ir a la escuela. si es preocupante para mi ver; observar tantos ninitos que caminan a la escuela; en climas frios; es una pena, ver situaciones a si; pero no se los fondos de cada estado para agudar con un bus a estos criaturitas (caminan sin adulto)

(Thank god my child doesn't bike or walk to get to school. It worries me to see; observing a lot of little children that walk to school; in cold weather; its a pity to see situations like this; but I don't know why the funds of each state to wait with a bus for these creatures (walking without an adult)

mi hijo prefiere caminar cuando hace un poco de calor, por que en el frio se enferma con mas fueilidad(?) (My child prefers to walk when it's a little hot, because in the cold he gets sick easier?)

si esta encuesto es beneficio para agudar a estas familias que sus ninitos caminan en clima de frios y expuestos a situaciones dificules.

(If this survey is a benefit to those families whose little children walk in cold wather and are exposed to difficult situations.)

El uso bicicletas para ninos para ir ala escuela es peligroso con el trafico, no tiene experiencia en las calles. los ninos que caminan train preocupaciones si no llegan ala escuela, o si regresan a casa tarde no estoy de acuerdo. (The use of bikes for children to go to school is dangerous with the traffic, he doesn't have experience in the streets. The children that walk have worries? if they don't get to school, or if they come back to the house late I am not in agreement)

hay mucho peligro en el camino (there is a lot of danger in the street)

"felicidades es un obra muy grande que merece admiracion al pensador realizante!" (Congratulations is a work of art very big that deserves admiration to the realized thinker??)

quisiera mas seguirdad para cruzar las calles y poner mas letresos de velocidad para disminuir y que avisen que ninos van caminando ala casa o ala escuela. (I would like more security for crossing the streets and put more markers to reduce speed and warn that the children are walking home or to school.)

no quiero, o me preocupa mucho de que mi hijo camine solo despuesde escuela apartir de las 5 o 6 solo. (I don't like, or it worries my a lot that my child walks alone until school at 5 or 6 alone.)

porque hay mucho peligro en las calles y enseguridad y robos. (Because there is a lot of danger in the streets and insecurity and thefts.)

we live to far and i would never let him bike to much traffic in the morning and too far.

sex offenders, rapes is a very big concern of for any child to walk to school. You never know who is watching you.

Drugs is another concern. Some children don't listen they want to hang out after school, make put stops. that can be dangerous. A bus can pick them up and bring them home or near their home.

there should be more safety personal before and after school!

I think school districts should provide school buses to childrens who walk or bike to school so they can be more safe on their way home to school or vice versa.

I feel that it is not safe for my 9 year old son to walk to school or ride a bike on his own, especially early in the morning.

I think should be more crossing guards and police around area. One time my daughter told me someone in a Black Dark was asking questions and she decided and ??

Would the schools provide buses for winter season? It will be nice!

Please, when walking or biking to school, look both ways for crossing the street. Thank you.

walking to school is ok, but during the winter I don't like it because it is to cold to walk or bike. In modern society it has become unsafe for any child, alone or in a group, to walk any long distance without an adult around Lincoln School (among other schools. There are over 35 recorded felons living at least a block away from the school, it is no longer safe anywhere, for any one.

my daughter is still at the age where I don't feel comfortable with allowing her to walk to school. Maybe when the weather gets better I will feel more comfortable with a supervising adult family member walking with her to school.

I don't feel that kids should walk to school. It is not safe at all. I strongly feel that parents and bus drivers should take the kids to and from school and bring them home safely. That's my opinion.

They should be careful

We need more crossing guards in main streets like French street and somerset street. We also need for the police to take seriously offenders who do not stop for the crossing guards. There have already been a few incidents in which students have been struck by such people on Easton Ave.

Sometimes in Easton Avenue when there are no crossing guards, drivers won't let the children cross.

There are too many children walking to school were there aren't any crossing guards it is somewhat very danger in certain area. If the county will look into areas were there is bigger intersection. They would understand the parents concerns. There are streets were you need crossing guard and there none.

### The following questions were written to find out some personal information about the respondents. These questions were listed as optional.

**Question 16: What is your age range? Question 17: Are you male or female?** 

| Age         |    | Sex    |     |
|-------------|----|--------|-----|
| 55-64 years | 1  | Male   | 38  |
| 45-54 years | 16 | Female | 137 |
| 35-44 years | 78 |        |     |
| 25-34 years | 74 |        |     |
| 18-24 years | 5  |        |     |

Question 18: What is the highest grade or year of school you have completed? Question 19: Which one of these groups would you say best represents your race?

| Education Level  |    |
|--|----|
| Prefer not to answer   | 19 |
| Grades 9 through 11 (Some high school)                       | 34 |
| Grades 1 through 8 (Elementary)                              | 45 |
| Grade 12 or GED (High school graduate)                       | 47 |
| College 4 years or more (College graduate)                   | 8  |
| College 1 year to 3 years (Some college or technical school) | 22 |

| Race                      |     |
|---------------------------|-----|
| White                     | 2   |
| Prefer not to answer      | 8   |
| Other: (specify)          | 4   |
| Hispanic/Latino           | 143 |
| Black or African American | 17  |

"Other" specified:

| Race                          |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| White, Hispanic/Latino        | 1 |
| White, Black, Asian, Hispanic | 2 |
| Black, Hispanic               | 1 |

### **Report and Survey Background:**

- School: Lord Stirling Community School
- City: New Brunswick, New Jersey
- Number of Surveys: 59
  - Number of Surveys in Spanish: 47
  - Number of Surveys in English: 9
  - Number of surveys in English and Spanish : 3

### **Purpose of Survey:**

The goal of this survey is to understand any issues or concerns parents have with allowing their child to walk or bike to school. The information gathered from this survey will be used to support local, state and national Safe Routes to School programs. Safe Routes to School (SRTS) is a nationwide effort to encourage more and safer walking and bicycling to school.

All survey responses have been kept confidential and neither the parent respondent nor their child's name have been associated with the results.

#### **Executive Summary:**

- The largest response rate was from the parents of the Kindergarten class.
- The majority of the respondents indicated that their child is not bused to school.
- The most frequently reported travel method was walking to and from school five days per week.
- Most children who walk do so with a parent or guardian
- A driving distance of less than <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of a mile to school was the most frequently reported
- When driving, the most respondents indicated not applicable for time length of their trip.
- "6-9 minutes" was the most common answer for how long it takes to walk to school
- The respondents feel that the school does encourage walking to and from school.
- Most respondents don't know if the school encourages biking to and from school.
- "Stranger Danger" and Unsafe crossings and intersections appear to strongly affect the respondent's decision regarding whether their child walks or bikes to school



### **Question 2: What is this child's grade?**

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#### **Question 3:** What is the street intersection nearest your home?

| Street 1      | Street 2       | # |
|---------------|----------------|---|
| Suydam        | Throop         | 8 |
| Throop        | Townsend       | 3 |
| Commercial    | Neilson Street | 2 |
| George        | Redmo          | 2 |
| George        | Hassart        | 2 |
| throop        | Remsen         | 2 |
| welton        | Throop         | 2 |
| Commercial    | George         | 1 |
| Commercial    | Redmond        | 1 |
| George Street | Redmond Street | 1 |
| Handy         | Seaman         | 1 |
| Remsen        | Delavan        | 1 |
| Seaman        | Throop         | 1 |
| Suydam        | Commercial     | 1 |
| Suydam        | Remsen         | 1 |
| Tabernacle    | Neilson        | 1 |
| Throop        | Handy          | 1 |
| Throop        | Redmond        | 1 |
| Throop        | Seaman         | 1 |
| Welton        | Truee Street   | 1 |

**Question 4: Does your school district provide this child with busing?** 



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Question 5: How many days per week does this child go to school and get home from school using the types of transportation listed below, during a typical 5-day school week?

| # of Children | Arrival Method  |
|---------------|---|
| 47            | walk to school 5 days per week                        |
| 3             | walk to school 2 days per week                        |
|               |   |
| 0             | bike to school  |
|               |   |
| 1             | takes the school bus 5 days per week                  |
|               |   |
| 5             | arrives at school in a family vehicle 5 days per week |
| 1             | arrives at school in a family vehicle 3 day per week  |
| 2             | arrives at school in a family vehicle 2 day per week  |
|               |   |
| 3             | carpool to school 5 days per week                     |
|               |   |
| 0             | use transit   |
|               |   |
| 0             | use other means of transportation                     |

| # of Children | Departure Method                                 |
|---------------|--|
| 41            | walk from school 5 days per week                 |
| 3             | walk from school 2 days per week                 |
|               |  |
| 0             | bike from school                                 |
|               |  |
| 1             | takes the school bus home 5 days per week        |
|               |  |
| 5             | leave school in a family vehicle 5 days per week |
| 1             | leave school in a family vehicle 3 days per week |
| 2             | leave school in a family vehicle 2 days per week |
|               |  |
| 3             | carpool home 5 days per week                     |
|               |  |
| 0             | use transit                                      |
|               |  |
| 0             | use other means of transportation                |



## **Question 6:** If your child walks or bikes to school, who do they travel with most often?

**Question 7:** What is the shortest driving distance between your home and school?





Question 8: When you drive your child to school, how long does the trip usually take?

Question 9: If this child walks or bikes to school, how long on average, does it take to travel from your home to school?



Walking to School



**Question 10: Does your child's school encourage walking to and from school?** 





**Question 11: Does your child's school encourage biking to and from school?** 

## **Question 12:** How important are the following reasons this child walks or bikes to school?

|  | Strongly<br>Agree | Agree | Neither<br>Agree nor<br>Disagree | Disagree | Strongly<br>Disagree |
|--|-------------------|-------|----------------------------------|----------|----------------------|
| My child does not walk or bike to school.<br>(check box) (3% checked the box)                  |                   |       |                                  |          |                      |
| My child thinks it is fun to walk or bike to school.   | 20%               | 49%   | 20%                              | 7%       | 4%                   |
| It is healthy to walk or bike to school.   | 20%               | 54%   | 22%                              | 0%       | 4%                   |
| It is part of our family's physical activity.  | 17%               | 54%   | 23%                              | 6%       | 0%                   |
| It is good for the environment (saves gas, cleaner air, etc.)                                  | 27%               | 48%   | 17%                              | 4%       | 4%                   |
| This child likes to socialize with friends & neighbors while walking or biking to/from school. | 15%               | 51%   | 19%                              | 9%       | 6%                   |

## **Question 13:** What affects your decision regarding whether your child walks or bikes to school?

|   | Affects my decision greatly | Affects my decision somewhat | Affects my decision a little | Does Not<br>affect my<br>decision |
|---|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Distance  | 4%                          | 9%                           | 20%                          | 67%                               |
| Weather   | 15%                         | 17%                          | 9%                           | 59%                               |
| Family schedule   | 13%                         | 7%                           | 11%                          | 69%                               |
| Child's before and after school activities                      | 11%                         | 5%                           | 16%                          | 68%                               |
| Lack of sidewalks   | 8%                          | 11%                          | 16%                          | 65%                               |
| Lack of bikeways and/or bike parking                            | 10%                         | 2%                           | 15%                          | 73%                               |
| Weight of book bags   | 19%                         | 9%                           | 21%                          | 51%                               |
| Child does not own a bicycle                                    | 13%                         | 8%                           | 5%                           | 74%                               |
| Speed of traffic along school route                             | 39%                         | 18%                          | 16%                          | 27%                               |
| Too many cars along school route                                | 38%                         | 9%                           | 19%                          | 34%                               |
| Availability of adult supervision                               | 30%                         | 7%                           | 26%                          | 37%                               |
| Other children to walk or bike with                             | 26%                         | 13%                          | 13%                          | 48%                               |
| Availability of crossing guards                                 | 38%                         | 8%                           | 10%                          | 44%                               |
| Unsafe crossings and<br>intersections                           | 43%                         | 14%                          | 8%                           | 35%                               |
| Bullying  | 28%                         | 6%                           | 17%                          | 39%                               |
| Personal safety (theft, gangs, abandoned buildings, stray dogs) | 38%                         | 8%                           | 17%                          | 37%                               |
| "Stranger Danger"   | 50%                         | 8%                           | 18%                          | 24%                               |
| Vehicle traffic in pickup/drop-off<br>area                      | 37%                         | 7%                           | 7%                           | 49%                               |
| Child has a disability  | 6%                          | 3%                           | 3%                           | 88%                               |
| Other:  | 0%                          | 10%                          | 0%                           | 90%                               |

Those who selected "other" did not specify

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## **Question 14:** From the above, please circle the reason that affects your decision the most?

Only 3 respondents chose to complete question 14. The following is a list of their answers.

| Reason affecting decision the most | # |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Unsafe crossings and intersections |   |
| "Stranger Danger"                  |   |

## Question 15: Please provide any additional comments or concerns about safe walking or biking to school?

The following is a complete list of all the comments or concerns expressed by the respondents:

| Concerns  |
|---|
| un nino no puede ir a la escuela con una bicileta, por el peligro de los autos en las calles. (a  |
| child cannot go to school with a bike. for the danger of the cars on the streets.)  |
| The child lives a block across from the school hence is under continuous supervision.   |
| I think transportation should be provided for all children k-5 to ensure their safety.  |
| I walk my child to school because I live very close. And I don't mind walking cause I don't drive anyway.   |
| I no longer see a crossing guard. There is no one directing traffic or police presence during school hours (am/pm)  |
| My children do not walk, I provide my own transportation to and from.   |
| The child lives a block across from the school hence is under constant parental supervision.  |
| The child lives a block across from the school hence he/she is under constant parental supervision.   |
| quiero enfatizar mas con relacion a mi preocupacion por la seguridad de mi hija al caminar a la escuela porque en el area hay extrans con vicios, no hay suficientes personas que ayudar a los ninos a cruzar las calles y el trafico es muy pesado.  |
| yo creo que no estasien que viajen bicicleta porque muchos ninos no tienen coidado y poeden atropellar a otros ninos  |
| El cruze de la av. Suydan es peligroso en ocaciones no hay una persona que este fija<br>cruzando la av. para los peatones y con bicicleta esto seria muhco mas peligroso tal vez seria<br>necesario poner *bumps* o stop entre las calles. <figure below="" drawn=""></figure>  |
| que los ninos no se deben ir caminando solo a la escuela siempre ir con un adulto porque hay<br>muchos carros que pueden causar acidentes o robarse los ninos por eso es necesario ir con<br>los padres y cuidar los ninos.   |
| mi preocupacion es para cruzar las calles porque aveces los carros no respetan el stop. (My worry is for crossing the streets because at times the cars don't respect the stop)   |
| aparte de todos los riesgos al llegar a la escuela caminando, antes mencionado. tambien me<br>gustaria mencionar que el nino podria juntarse con otros ninos y tomar el dia para otras<br>actividades y no ir a la escuela. seria bueno que si el nino no se presenta que llamen al padre.  |
| es bueno ir caminando pero mi nino es pequeno para enviarlo solo y quisiera trabajar, pero como tengo que llevarlo y recogerlo de la escuela no puedo, el clima es otro invconveniente porque, cuando cae nieve no se puede ir caminando, aveces hace demasiado frio, o cuando llueve demasiado llegan mojados ala escuela. (it is good to walk to school but my child is little to go alone and i would like to work, but as i have to take and bring him from school I can't. the |

weather is another inconvenience because, when snow falls you can't go walking, sometimes it's too cold, or when it rains too much they arrive wet at school.)

a mi no se me hace necesario un vehiculo de transporte pues la escuela esta muy cerca. (For me I don't know. I would need a car to transport, then the school is very close.)

debido a que los padres trabajamos en el dia no es imposible llevarlos caminando, creo que es mas saludable para ellos pero solo en el tiempo de verano ya que en el invierno se enferman mas seguido. yo pago un raite para mis ninas por mi horario de trabajo.

nosotros que remos mas personas para crusar las calles para ir a la escuela.

yo no estoy de acuerdo que los nino vayan ala escuela en bicicleta hay peligro con los autos (I'm not in agreement that kids go to school on bike there is danger with the cars.)

no me precoupa porque se va con su hermana menor y la escuela queda cerca de la casa (I don't worry because he goes with his younger sister and the school is very close to home)

por aura? no me preocupa porque mi hija todavia no va sola a la escuela pero cuando eso pase que sera ?? creo que me preocupara la inseguridad y el trafico.

el cruzar la calle sola por el trafico y ninos peleoneros. (Street crosssing only for the traffic and bullies.)

me preocupa un poco durante el invierno, porque hace mucho frio y cuando cae nieve mucha gente no limpia sus banquetas y es peligroso. (I worry a little during winter, because it's really cold and when snow falls a lot of people don't clean their sidewalks and it's dangerous.)

realmente la inseguridad mas grande existe en la escuela cuando estan en la hora de recreo no hay guardia de seguirdad que pueda vijilar a los ninos mientras juegan y muchas veces se han llegado a golpear y resultan lastimados. seriamente.

en realidad por el mucho trafico y actualmente por lo que se habla de las pandillas. (in reality for lots of traffic and actually for those that speak of gangs)

mi nombre es maria espinal y mi hijo es marvin urbina. mi hijo vive cerca de la es escuela 1 o 2 minutos, pero para otros ninos es importante el transporte porque caminar mas largo. esa es mi opinion. gracias por acerlos participantes de sus opiniones.

mi mayor preocupacion es el trafico vehicular. no hay mayor supervicion de guardias que cruzan el camino.

no tenemos a dicionales sobre la seguridad de los ninos porque nosotros mismos vamos con ella hacia la escuela son 5 a 6 minutos a la escuela junots

que pueda ser atropellado por un carro. que a veces no esta la persona que cruza a los ninos. yo pienso que es muy importante que este alguien para cruzar a los ninos, porque la calle que mi hija cruza es muy traficada

mi preocupacion es para cruzar las calles porque aveces los carros no respetan el stop. (My worry is for crossing the streets because at times cars don't respect the stop.)

mi preocupacion es que yo soy padre y madre para mis 2 hijas y yo trabajo en la manana y una amiga my lleva a mis 2 hijas a la escuela y para mi seguridad es que deveria de poner un cemaforo en el cruze de la iglesia del sagrado corazon con la ? para mas seguridad de nuestros ninos porque hay ninos que salen 4:30 y pasa muchos carros y no dan chanse de pasar a los ninos.

aveces los ninos andan afuera de la escuela jugando pesado.

mi preocupacion no es tan grande porque mis hijas van caminando a la escuela puesto que nosotros vivimos enfrente de la escuela y que contamos con guardias que cruzan los ninos.

en la calle de la troop st no hay personas que paren el trafico para que los ninos puedan crusar la calle.

yo tengo preocupacion de mandar a mi hija sola o en bicicleta por la inseguridad y los choferes iresponsibles.

### The following questions were written to find out some personal information about the respondents. These questions were listed as optional.

## **Question 16: What is your age range? Question 17: Are you male or female?**

| Age         |    | Sex    |    |
|-------------|----|--------|----|
| 45-54 years | 2  | Male   | 6  |
| 35-44 years | 14 | Female | 48 |
| 25-34 years | 33 |        |    |
| 18-24 years | 5  |        |    |

#### Question 18: What is the highest grade or year of school you have completed? Question 19: Which one of these groups would you say best represents your race?

| Education Level  |    |
|--|----|
| Prefer not to answer   | 3  |
| Grades 9 through 11 (Some high school)                       | 13 |
| Grades 1 through 8 (Elementary)                              |    |
| Grade 12 or GED (High school graduate)                       |    |
| College 4 years or more (College graduate)                   |    |
| College 1 year to 3 years (Some college or technical school) |    |

| Race                      |    |
|---------------------------|----|
| White                     | 1  |
| Prefer not to answer      | 5  |
| Hispanic/Latino           | 44 |
| Black or African American | 4  |
| Asian                     | 1  |

### **Report and Survey Background:**

- School: Paul Robeson Community School
- City: New Brunswick, New Jersey
- Number of Surveys: 101
  - Number of Surveys in Spanish: 41
  - Number of Surveys in English: 45
  - Number of surveys in English and Spanish : 15

#### **Purpose of Survey:**

The goal of this survey is to understand any issues or concerns parents have with allowing their child to walk or bike to school. The information gathered from this survey will be used to support local, state and national Safe Routes to School programs. Safe Routes to School (SRTS) is a nationwide effort to encourage more and safer walking and bicycling to school.

All survey responses have been kept confidential and neither the parent respondent nor their child's name have been associated with the results.

#### **Executive Summary:**

- The largest response rate was from the parents of the second grade class.
- The majority of the respondents indicated that their child is not bused to school.
- The most frequently reported travel method was walking to and from school five days per week.
- Most children who walk do so with a parent or guardian
- A driving distance of less than <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of a mile to school was the most frequently reported
- When driving, the most respondents indicated that the trip takes less than 5 minutes.
- "6-9 minutes" and 10-14 minutes" were the most common answers for how long it takes to walk to school
- The respondents feel that the school does encourage walking to and from school.
- The respondents feel that the school does not encourage biking to and from school.
- "Stranger Danger" and Personal Safety (theft, gangs, abandoned buildings, stray dogs) appear to strongly affect the respondent's decision regarding whether their child walks or bikes to school



**Question 2: What is this child's grade?** 

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### **Question 3:** What is the street intersection nearest your home?

| Street 1          | Street 2          | # of Occurrences |
|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Commercial        | Sandford          | 18               |
| Commercial Avenue | Georges Road      | 9                |
| Commercial Avenue | Delavan Street    | 3                |
| Commercial Avenue | Throop            | 3                |
| Commercial Avenue | North Talmadge    | 3                |
| Remson Avenue     | Suydam Street     | 3                |
| Commercial Avenue | George Street     | 2                |
| Comstock          | Throop            | 2                |
| Comstock Street   | Remsen Avenue     | 2                |
| Commercial Avenue | Baldwin Street    | 1                |
| Commercial Avenue | Conger            | 1                |
| Commercial Avenue | Cosnto Street     | 1                |
| Commercial Avenue | North Ward        | 1                |
| Comstock          | Commercial Avenue | 1                |
| French            | Bald              | 1                |
| Georges Road      | Pine Street       | 1                |
| Georges Road      | South Talmadge    | 1                |
| Hale Street       | Commercial Avenue | 1                |
| Handy             | Commercial Avenue | 1                |
| Hassart           | Welton            | 1                |
| Jones             | Commercial        | 1                |
| Larch             | Pine Street       | 1                |
| Lee               | Remense           | 1                |
| May Street        | Remsen            | 1                |
| Rail Road Avenue  | Handy Street      | 1                |
| Remsen            | Ward              | 1                |
| Resevoir          | Conger            | 1                |
| Suydam            | Joyce Kilmer      | 1                |
| Suydam            | French            | 1                |
| Throop            | Hale              | 1                |
| Throop            | Delevan           | 1                |
| Throop            | Handy             | 1                |
| Throop            | Delavan Street    | 1                |
| Throop            | Hale              | 1                |
| Ward Street       | Pine Street       | 1                |
| Ward Street       | Commercial Avenue | 1                |


**Question 4: Does your school district provide this child with busing?** 

Question 5: How many days per week does this child go to school and get home from school using the types of transportation listed below, during a typical 5-day school week?

(Charts on the following page)

| # of children | Arrival Method   |
|---------------|--|
| 50            | walk to school 5 days per week                             |
| 1             | walk to school 3 days per week                             |
| 4             | walk to school 1 day per week                              |
|               |  |
| 0             | Children bike to school                                    |
|               |  |
| 1             | takes the school bus 5 days per week                       |
|               |  |
| 21            | arrives at school in a family vehicle 5 days per week      |
| 1             | arrives at school in a family vehicle 2 days per week      |
| 1             | arrives at school in a family vehicle 1 day per week       |
|               |  |
| 13            | carpool to school 5 days per week                          |
| 1             | carpool to school 1 day per week                           |
|               |  |
| 0             | children take transit to school                            |
|               |  |
| 1             | student uses other means of transportation 5 days per week |
| 1             | student uses other means of transportation 1 day per week  |

| # of Children | Departure Method   |
|---------------|--|
| 46            | walk from school 5 days per week                           |
| 1             | walk from school 3 days per week                           |
| 4             | walk from school 1 day per week                            |
|               |  |
| 0             | bike from school   |
|               |  |
| 2             | takes the school bus home 5 days per week                  |
|               |  |
| 17            | leave school in a family vehicle 5 days per week           |
| 1             | leave school in a family vehicle 2 days per week           |
| 3             | leave school in a family vehicle 1 day per week            |
|               |  |
| 12            | carpool home 5 days per week                               |
|               |  |
|               |  |
| 0             | children take transit from school                          |
|               |  |
| 1             | student uses other means of transportation 5 days per week |



## **Question 6:** If your child walks or bikes to school, who do they travel with most often?

**Question 7:** What is the shortest driving distance between your home and school?



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Question 8: When you drive your child to school, how long

Question 9: If this child walks or bikes to school, how long on average, does it take to travel from your home to school?



Walking to School

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**Question 10: Does your child's school encourage walking to and from school?** 



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**Question 11: Does your child's school encourage biking to and from school?** 

### **Question 12:** How important are the following reasons this child walks or bikes to school?

|  | Strongly<br>Agree | Agree | Neither<br>Agree nor<br>Disagree | Disagree | Strongly<br>Disagree |
|--|-------------------|-------|----------------------------------|----------|----------------------|
| My child does not walk or bike to school.<br>(check box) (17% checked the box)                 |                   |       |                                  |          |                      |
| My child thinks it is fun to walk or bike to school.   | 31%               | 43%   | 13%                              | 7%       | 6%                   |
| It is healthy to walk or bike to school.   | 46%               | 37%   | 6%                               | 8%       | 3%                   |
| It is part of our family's physical activity.  | 23%               | 35%   | 22%                              | 16%      | 4%                   |
| It is good for the environment (saves gas, cleaner air, etc.)                                  | 29%               | 38%   | 8%                               | 11%      | 4%                   |
| This child likes to socialize with friends & neighbors while walking or biking to/from school. | 34%               | 31%   | 17%                              | 14%      | 4%                   |

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## **Question 13:** What affects your decision regarding whether your child walks or bikes to school?

|   | Affects my decision greatly | Affects my decision somewhat | Affects my decision a little | Does Not<br>affect my<br>decision |
|---|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Distance  | 24%                         | 13%                          | 14%                          | 49%                               |
| Weather   | 47%                         | 15%                          | 15%                          | 23%                               |
| Family schedule   | 33%                         | 19%                          | 13%                          | 35%                               |
| Child's before and after school activities                      | 32%                         | 17%                          | 15%                          | 36%                               |
| Lack of sidewalks   | 28%                         | 8%                           | 26%                          | 38%                               |
| Lack of bikeways and/or bike parking                            | 31%                         | 9%                           | 17%                          | 43%                               |
| Weight of book bags   | 45%                         | 13%                          | 18%                          | 24%                               |
| Child does not own a bicycle                                    | 20%                         | 7%                           | 2%                           | 71%                               |
| Speed of traffic along school route                             | 63%                         | 4%                           | 12%                          | 21%                               |
| Too many cars along school<br>route                             | 57%                         | 13%                          | 10%                          | 20%                               |
| Availability of adult supervision                               | 57%                         | 10%                          | 7%                           | 26%                               |
| Other children to walk or bike with                             | 43%                         | 14%                          | 11%                          | 32%                               |
| Availability of crossing guards                                 | 65%                         | 6%                           | 6%                           | 23%                               |
| Unsafe crossings and<br>intersections                           | 64%                         | 12%                          | 6%                           | 18%                               |
| Bullying  | 56%                         | 14%                          | 8%                           | 22%                               |
| Personal safety (theft, gangs, abandoned buildings, stray dogs) | 72%                         | 7%                           | 6%                           | 15%                               |
| "Stranger Danger"   | 76%                         | 4%                           | 10%                          | 10%                               |
| Vehicle traffic in pickup/drop-off<br>area                      | 56%                         | 8%                           | 13%                          | 23%                               |
| Child has a disability  | 16%                         | 4%                           | 4%                           | 76%                               |
| Other:  | 20%                         | 0%                           | 15%                          | 65%                               |

Those who selected "other" did not specify

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## **Question 14:** From the above, please circle the reason that affects you decision the most?

Only one respondent circled an answer to this question. That one respondent indicated that "Personal Safety" was the choice that most affects their decision regarding whether their child walks or bikes to school.

## Question 15: Please provide any additional comments or concerns about safe walking or biking to school?

The following is a complete list of all the comments or concerns expressed by the

respondents:

| Concerns  |
|---|
| The should be a crossing guard between 4:15 and 6:00 for students in after care program   |
| me preocupa un accidente en la calle o por pandillas o por gente extraña (l'm concerned of an accident in the street or of gangs or strange people)   |
| A Lady drops me off 5 in the morning and in 3:15 pm   |
| me gusta la idea de que los niños caminen a su casa para que asi ellos apredendan a crusar las calles (I like the idea of kids walking to their house so that they can learn how to cross the streets)  |
| me preocupan que camine y baya en bicicleta pero me preocupa mas que baya en bicicleta porque hay mas peligro. (I'm worried about walking and bicycling but I am worried more about bicycling because it is more dangerous.)  |
| mas persona que ayuden a atravesar la calle (more people to help cross the street)  |
| Mi preocupacion es que no haya quien cruze los niños en la calle. (My worry is that there is no one to cross the kids in the street)  |
| mi hija no usa bicicleta camina a veces por las tardes de la escuela a la casa. por toda la comercial al llegar a la casa 94 talmadge por las tardes. (My child doesn't use a bicycle. She walks sometimes in the afternoons from school to home. All of Commercial up to arriving at the house 94 north talmadge in the afternoons.) |
| me gusta la idea para que los niños aprendan a cruzar las calles (I like the idea of kids learning to cross the streets)  |
| por mi si le dan el pase para (for me if they give?)  |
| yo no mando en bicicleta ni caminando a mi hija Laydy, ella se va en Ray? en un carro de familia con mis Carolin a Gracias? (I don't send my daughter Laydy on bicycle or walking. She goes en Ray? in a family car with my Carolin? Thanks.)   |
| pues que los carros tuvieron mas respeto por los niños al crusar las avenidas y que ubiera mas guardias para asegurar mas a los niños al cruzar las calles. (Cars should have more respect for the kids crossing avenues and there should be more guards to better secure children crossing the street.)                              |

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Mi mayor preocupacion es que mi hija tiene que irse sola por la mañana y por la calle que toma hay mucho trafico y personas violentas; me ha tocado ver verias peleas callejeras y no hay mucha vigilancia. (My main worry is that my daughter has to go by herself in the morning and the street has a lot of traffic and violent persons. I have seen several street fights and there is not much monitoring.)

que hay veces que el tiempo o mejor dicho el clima no esta como para caminar o bicicleta porque cambia dia a dia por ejemplo llueve, cae nieve o mucho frio o demasiado calor en fin cambia todos los dias. (There are times when the weather or better to say the climate is not for walking or biking because it changes day to day for example it rains, snow falls or really cold or too much heat in the end it changes every day.)

yo como Madre de 4 niños no estoy de acuerdo por la seguridad de mis hijos como por ejemplo. El trafico robos de niños y pandillos y menos seguridad cerco? los niños (I, as a mother of 4 children, do not agree. for the security of my children for example. The traffic, robberies of children and pandillos? and less security cerco? the kids.)

me preocupa que lo camina por los carros al cruzar las calles que personas extrañas le hagan algo o por las pandillas o peleas o que pasan en las calles. (l'm worried about the walk because of the cars at the street crossings, strange people doing something to him or for the gangs or fights that happen in the street.)

me preocupa que mi niño camine a la escuela o monte en bicicleta por un accidente o algun maleante por lo mismo o mas yo su mama lo llevo a mi novio o una amiga y si puedo vijilar algun niño a lo ago (I worry that my child walks to school or on bike because of an accident or someone bad all the same or more I, their mother, take him to my boyfriend or a friend and if I can watch some child I do it?)

preocupacion por un accidente de auto de atropellar a un niño que este caminando y sobre todos por personas que esten tomados y esten conduciento, bajo el alcohol. (Worry about a car accident of running over a child who is walking and above all for persons who are taking and driving, under alcohol.)

mi hijo no camina ni husa bicicleta para ir a la escuela el tiene rrai (My child does not walk or bicycle to go to school, he takes rrai?)

solo caminando es mas seguro que ir en una bicicleta porque pueden tener accidentes. (only walking is safer than going on a bike because they can have accidents)

al crusar las calles y por los tantos carros que pasan y por las pandillas. (When crossing the streets and the many cars that pass and the gangs)

me preocupacion adicional es cuando algunas veses la persona (school crossing guard) no esta y los niños tienen que cruzar la calle solos y los autos no tienen precaucion en parar con los niños que van a cruzar y por eso a veces hay algunas accidentes.(My additional worry is when some times the person (school crossing guard) isn't there and the kids have to cross the street alone and the autos don't take precaution to stop with the kids who are going to cross and for this at times there are some accidents.)

yo en particular no estoy de acuerdo en que los niños vallan a la escuela en bicicleta. para mi esto es un berdadero peligro para los niños. (I am not particularly in agreement with kids going to school on bike. For me it's a real danger for the kids.)

velocidade de trafico a lo largo de la carretera de la ruta de escuela. miedo cuando un niño peude cruzar la calle sin mirar para ambos la dos, tambien de un robo de niños (Speed of traffic along the street of the route to school. Scared when a kid can cross the street without looking both ways, also of a kidnapper)

mi preocupacion es cuando el autobus no llega a tiempo y los niños tienen que estar en el frio y aveces la maestra los detienen que venir caminando y sin ningun adulto los cruze porque school crossing guard ya no esta. (My worry is when the bus doesn't come on time and the kids have to be in the cold and at times the teacher keeps them in class and they don't catch the bus and have to come walking and without any adult crossing then because the school crossing guard is no longer there.)

mi hija estudia en la escuela Paul Robeson no me dieron autobus porque uno nunca puede calificar. Segun dice la oficina donde uno aplica entonces ella camina desde la 321 townsend hasta la 199 comercial ave que pasa con el gobierno que no tiene bus. e insufeciente y dificil de calificar (por el bienestar de mi hija pago 25 dollar con alguien lo lleva y lo trae devuella a casa. (My child studies in Paul Robeson and doesn't take the bus because one can never qualify according to the office where one applies. So she walks from 321 Townsend to 199 Commercial avenue. what happened with the government that doesn't have bus. It is insufficient and difficult to qualify (for the well-being of my child I pay 25 dollars with someone who leaves her and drops her back at home)

me preocupa cuando camina mi niño asia a la escuela por los crusamiento desde la casa a la escuela ya que an abido accidentes en la misma ruta o camino y por los mismos niños entre ellos en que puedan pelear etc Gracias por preocuparse. (I worry when my child, Asia, walks to school for the crosswalks from the house to school. there have already been accidents in the same route and for the same children between who fight etc. Thanks for your concern.)

Los accidentes (the accidents)

no hay problema (there is no problem)

por los carros al crusar la calle (for the cars when crossing the street)

caminando (walking)

More police presence during school hours

we need more adult supervision outside

Right now my children are too young to walk or bike alone. but if they were, the grid on the previous page explains my concerns.

Commercial Ave is a very busy street. We need more supervision and crossing guards.

My child is not able to walk or bike to school because his Down's syndrome and very under age to do it by himself

I believe all intersections within a school district should be accompanied with crossing guards, speed bumps, signals showing approaching school zone, cameras, and school staff available outside or security posted for students approaching school grounds within 1 block radius of school. Also school security tags or some sort to acknowledge child or IDENTIFY child in case of some incident approaching.

More community people involved

Children walking or biking to Paul Robeson School do not have a crossing guard at the Georges Road and Pine Street, South Talmadge, hazelhurst or South Ward Street. All of the streets named intersect with Georges Road. This is a real safety problem.

We do not have speed bumps in our streets, for years most schools, exspeacally where there is more white people schools where there is speed bumps in the streets but this school, never had speed bumps to slow the cars down.

There needs to be more crossing guards for the intersection of Georges Road and Sanford Street daily. It is a dangerous intersection and crossing guards are rarely available.

I feel there should be more supervision and crossing guards

lack of crossing guards on busy streets. Older children bullying younger children.

Overall unfortunately the location of Paul Robeson school is not the best, not safe and most of the crossing guards do not do their jobs or are not even there most of the time. I will not recommend to any parent to have their children walking or riding bikes

When children have to walk to school. Crossing guards have always been helpful.

We allow Samad to walk to school because we feel its close enough and its only one block away from the house and we call him on the cell phone while he is walking. I think there should be more crossing guard at the streets and traffic lights The only concern I have is they need more crossing guards. Only walking is better because they can have accidents biking.

### The following questions were written to find out some personal information about the respondents. These questions were listed as optional.

**Question 16: What is your age range? Question 17: Are you male or female?** 

| Age         |    | Sex    |    |
|-------------|----|--------|----|
| 55-64 years | 2  | Male   | 8  |
| 45-54 years | 5  | Female | 86 |
| 35-44 years | 41 |        |    |
| 25-34 years | 41 |        |    |
| 18-24 years | 3  |        |    |

Question 18: What is the highest grade or year of school you have completed? Question 19: Which one of these groups would you say best represents your race?

| Education Level  |    |
|--|----|
| Prefer not to answer   | 6  |
| Grades 9 through 11 (Some high school)                       | 23 |
| Grades 1 through 8 (Elementary)                              | 21 |
| Grade 12 or GED (High school graduate)                       | 18 |
| College 4 years or more (College graduate)                   | 9  |
| College 1 year to 3 years (Some college or technical school) | 16 |

| Race                      |    |
|---------------------------|----|
| Prefer not to answer      | 7  |
| Other: (specify)          | 3  |
| Hispanic/Latino           | 69 |
| Black or African American | 13 |

**"Other" specified**: "White and Hispanic/Latino" (1), "Hispanic and Black/African American"(2).

#### **Report and Survey Background:**

- School: Roosevelt School
- **City:** New Brunswick, New Jersey
- Number of Surveys: 71
  - Number of Surveys in Spanish: 45
  - Number of Surveys in English: 25
  - Number of surveys in English and Spanish : 1

#### **Purpose of Survey:**

The goal of this survey is to understand any issues or concerns parents have with allowing their child to walk or bike to school. The information gathered from this survey will be used to support local, state and national Safe Routes to School programs. Safe Routes to School (SRTS) is a nationwide effort to encourage more and safer walking and bicycling to school.

All survey responses have been kept confidential and neither the parent respondent nor their child's name have been associated with the results.

#### **Executive Summary:**

- The largest response rate was from the parents of the first grade class.
- The majority of the respondents indicated that their child is not bused to school.
- The most frequently reported travel method was walking to and from school five days per week.
- Most children who walk do so with a parent or guardian
- A driving distance of less than <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of a mile to school was the most frequently reported
- When driving, the most respondents indicated that the trip takes less than 5 minutes.
- "6-9 minutes" was the most common answer for how long it takes to walk to school
- The respondents feel that the school does encourage walking to and from school.
- The respondents feel that the school does not encourage biking to and from school.
- Personal Safety (theft, gangs, abandoned buildings, stray dogs) and the amount of cars along the school route appear to strongly affect the respondent's decision regarding whether their child walks or bikes to school





| nat is the str | eet intersection | n neare |
|----------------|------------------|---------|
| Street 1       | Street 2         | #       |
| Joyce Kilmer   | Livingston       | 9       |
| Livingston     | Suydam           | 7       |
| Drift          | Redmond          | 6       |
| Joyce Kilmer   | Redmond          | 5       |
| Livingston     | Redmond          | 5       |
| Commercial     | Suydam           | 3       |
| George         | Welton           | 3       |
| John Street    | Riverside        | 2       |
| Joyce Kilmer   | Drift            | 2       |
| Joyce Kilmer   | Suydam           | 2       |
| Joyce Kilmer   | Seaman           | 2       |
| Lee            | Redmond          | 2       |
| Livingston     | Seaman           | 2       |
| Redmond        | Livingston       | 2       |
| Throop         | Comstock         | 2       |
| Commercial     | George           | 1       |
| Drift          | Livingston       | 1       |
| Drift          | Seaman           | 1       |
| Drift          | Welton           | 1       |
| French         | New St.          | 1       |
| French         | Somerset         | 1       |
| Hope           | George           | 1       |
| Joyce Kilmer   | Sandford         | 1       |
| Joyce Kilmer   | Handy            | 1       |
| Lee            | Livingston       | 1       |
| Livingston     | Townsend         | 1       |
| Livingston     | Baldwin          | 1       |
| Livingston     | Handy            | 1       |
| Livingston     | Remsen           | 1       |
| Livingston     | French           | 1       |
| Livingston     | Welton           | 1       |
| Livingston     | Rense            | 1       |
| Livingston     | Suydam           | 1       |
| Nelson         | Route 18         | 1       |
| Seaman         | Suydam           | 1       |
| Somerset       | Oxford           | 1       |
| Suydam         | Redmond          | 1       |
| Suydam         | French           | 1       |
| Suydam         | Lee              | 1       |
| Suydam         | Townsend         | 1       |
| Sweda          | Townsend         | 1       |
| Sweda          | Thousand         | 1       |
| Welton         | Livingston       | 1       |

**Question 3: What is the street intersection nearest your home?** 



**Question 4: Does your school district provide this child with busing?** 

Question 5: How many days per week does this child go to school and get home from school using the types of transportation listed below, during a typical 5-day school week?

| # of Children | Arrival Method  |
|---------------|---|
| 110           | walk to school 5 days per week                        |
| 2             | walk to school 2 days per week                        |
| 2             | walk to school 1 day per week                         |
|               |   |
| 2             | bike to school 2 days per week                        |
|               |   |
| 5             | take the school bus 5 days per week                   |
| 1             | takes the school bus 2 days per week                  |
|               |   |
| 19            | arrives at school in a family vehicle 5 days per week |
| 1             | arrives at school in a family vehicle 2 days per week |
| 1             | arrives at school in a family vehicle 1 day per week  |
|               |   |
| 9             | carpool to school 5 days per week                     |
|               |   |
| 0             | use transit   |
|               |   |
| 0             | use other means of transportation                     |

| # of Children | Departure Method                                 |
|---------------|--|
| 99            | walk from school 5 days per week                 |
| 2             | walk from school 2 days per week                 |
| 1             | walk from school 1 day per week                  |
|               |  |
| 1             | bikes from school 2 days per week                |
|               |  |
| 3             | take the school bus home 5 days per week         |
|               |  |
| 18            | leave school in a family vehicle 5 days per week |
| 1             | leave school in a family vehicle 4 days per week |
| 1             | leave school in a family vehicle 2 days per week |
| 1             | leave school in a family vehicle 1 day per week  |
|               |  |
| 8             | carpool home 5 days per week                     |
|               |  |
| 0             | use transit                                      |
|               |  |
| 0             | use other means of transportation                |



## **Question 6:** If your child walks or bikes to school, who do they travel with most often?

**Question 7:** What is the shortest driving distance between your home and school?



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Question 8: When you drive your child to school, how long does the trip usually take?

Question 9: If this child walks or bikes to school, how long on average, does it take to travel from your home to school?



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**Question 10: Does your child's school encourage walking to and from school?** 





**Question 11: Does your child's school encourage biking to and from school?** 

### **Question 12:** How important are the following reasons this child walks or bikes to school?

|  | Strongly<br>Agree | Agree | Neither<br>Agree nor<br>Disagree | Disagree | Strongly<br>Disagree |
|--|-------------------|-------|----------------------------------|----------|----------------------|
| My child does not walk or bike to school. (check box) (11% checked the box)                    |                   |       |                                  |          |                      |
| My child thinks it is fun to walk or bike to school.   | 14%               | 45%   | 21%                              | 15%      | 5%                   |
| It is healthy to walk or bike to school.   | 23%               | 54%   | 7%                               | 10%      | 6%                   |
| It is part of our family's physical activity.  | 20%               | 49%   | 20%                              | 7%       | 4%                   |
| It is good for the environment (saves gas, cleaner air, etc.)                                  | 24%               | 55%   | 13%                              | 5%       | 3%                   |
| This child likes to socialize with friends & neighbors while walking or biking to/from school. | 13%               | 48%   | 16%                              | 14%      | 9%                   |

## **Question 13:** What affects your decision regarding whether your child walks or bikes to school?

|   | Affects my decision greatly | Affects my decision somewhat | Affects my decision a little | Does Not<br>affect my<br>decision |
|---|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Distance  | 18%                         | 13%                          | 16%                          | 53%                               |
| Weather   | 17%                         | 13%                          | 22%                          | 48%                               |
| Family schedule   | 18%                         | 15%                          | 17%                          | 50%                               |
| Child's before and after school activities                      | 16%                         | 19%                          | 11%                          | 54%                               |
| Lack of sidewalks   | 25%                         | 15%                          | 19%                          | 41%                               |
| Lack of bikeways and/or bike parking                            | 14%                         | 16%                          | 14%                          | 56%                               |
| Weight of book bags   | 26%                         | 19%                          | 22%                          | 33%                               |
| Child does not own a bicycle                                    | 10%                         | 5%                           | 13%                          | 72%                               |
| Speed of traffic along school route                             | 39%                         | 13%                          | 21%                          | 27%                               |
| Too many cars along school<br>route                             | 46%                         | 10%                          | 22%                          | 22%                               |
| Availability of adult supervision                               | 28%                         | 20%                          | 25%                          | 27%                               |
| Other children to walk or bike with                             | 24%                         | 14%                          | 17%                          | 45%                               |
| Availability of crossing guards                                 | 27%                         | 15%                          | 23%                          | 35%                               |
| Unsafe crossings and<br>intersections                           | 45%                         | 19%                          | 16%                          | 20%                               |
| Bullying  | 53%                         | 12%                          | 18%                          | 17%                               |
| Personal safety (theft, gangs, abandoned buildings, stray dogs) | 55%                         | 12%                          | 14%                          | 19%                               |
| "Stranger Danger"   | 60%                         | 5%                           | 10%                          | 13%                               |
| Vehicle traffic in pickup/drop-off<br>area                      | 45%                         | 17%                          | 19%                          | 19%                               |
| Child has a disability  | 16%                         | 7%                           | 7%                           | 70%                               |
| Other:  | 19%                         | 3%                           | 3%                           | 75%                               |

Those who selected "other" did not specify

# **Question 14:** From the above, please circle the reason that affects your decision the most?

Only 5 respondents chose to complete question 14. The following is a list of their answers.

| Reason affecting decision the most |   |
|------------------------------------|---|
| "Stranger Danger"                  | 2 |
| Unsafe crossings and intersections | 1 |
| Personal safety                    | 1 |
| Availability of adult supervision  | 1 |

### **Question 15:** Please provide any additional comments or concerns about safe walking or biking to school?

The following is a complete list of all the comments or concerns expressed by the respondents:

| Concerns  |
|---|
| I take my child to school every day sometime i walk sometimes driving depends on what I have to do in the morning and how early I have to be at work it is only two blocks to walk.   |
| mi preocupacion es cuando mis hijos se van ha escuela por el trafico o por otras inseguridad.<br>(My worry is when my kids go to school for the traffic or for other insecurities.)   |
| Too many negative things happen in the area for me to feel comfortable in letting my children walk to school  |
| I only live two blocks away it depended on what I have to do in the morning or how early I have to go to work that how I decided to drive. Or if the weather is bad.  |
| I would like to see redmond street clear went the child come out of the school at 3:15. I don't like the parent blocking the street is to dangers for all student. That the important for all parents to respect same to the other st. around the school. to much blocking. |
| I do not feel comfortable letting any of my children walk to school in this area too much crime<br>and gang activity.   |
| no estoy de acuerdo que los ninos viajen en bicicleta solos por ninguna raison. (I'm not okay that kids travel on bike alone for no reason.)  |
| mi preocupacion es que mi nina no puede caminar sola el la calle porque ella esta pequena no sabe bien el nombre de la calle. Siempre la llevamos a la escuela y la recogemos. usar bicicleta no es bueno porque aveces hay accidentes se puede lastimar.                   |
| falta policias en las calles (lacking polce in the street.)   |
| mi nino no usa bicicleta porque en la cruza la carretera los carros los atropella y es muy chiquita ? peligro ? no permita que user bicicleta por su seguridad de hija y ayra Gonzalez: Gracias.  |
| mi comentario es que cae nieve y no limpian las banquetas alrededo de la escuela. (my comment is that snow falls and they don't clean the sidewalks around the school.)   |
| mi preocupacion es al cruzar la calle   |
| estoy de acuerdo que mi nino camine o de usar la bicicleta para ir ala escuela. Pero yo no permito que mi nino lo haga solo. Siempre lo hace acompado de unos de sus padres, por su edad. Ninos peleadores, adults mala voluntad y por los carros.                          |
| yo pienso que caminar es bueno para la salud pero losladarce? a la escuela en bicicleta para mi semear? peligros porque los ninos son demasiados distraidos y pueden tener accidentes a cruzar las calles.  |
| que cuando ellos caminan solos a la casa hay ninas mas grande que los quitan las cosas y les  |

quieren pegar.

mi nina camina a la escuela desde la sanford hasta la redmon me gustaria que le dieran bus. por falta de inseguridad o robo o crusar las calles.

a mi como madre me preocupa que a los ninos que no los acompane su mama, a la escuela les peuda pasar algun accidente (atropellar un carro).

preocupacion cuando no hay quien cruze a los ninos los carros no se paran ni respetan y eso pasa mucho y me da miedo cuando cruzo a mi hijo.

lo usan bicicleta para ir al escuela porque esta cerca

no tengo preocupacion en si ya que la escuela esta a 2 minutos de la casa. (I don't worry because the school is 2 minutes from home)

es divertido caminar a la escuela (it's fun to walk to school)

a mi caso que a hija mas vigilancia o policias porque yo he visto carros que no respetan a los ninos para crusar en la calle, los carros corren han muy rapido no frenan cuando los ninos cruzan la calle.

mi preocupacion es que a pesar que esta el espap? say? los caro pasan rapido u muhchos ninos que no van a esa escuela son pandillero despues de eso yo yevo amiijo a lascuela y lo recojo pero de todos mado los carro no respetan.

mi hija camina por que esta la escuela serca pero mi preocupacion es que pasa la calle JoysKilmer y me da miedo porque aveces no hay nadien que los pase la calle JoysKilmer.

mi hijo no camina en bicicleta ni a pie lor la inseguridad de trafico por eso o mis hijos viajen en carro particular.

me preocupa porque algunas beses mis ninos caminan solos a casa y porque los conductores que no tienen cuidado para condusir (I worry because sometimes my children walk home alone and because the drivers don't take care driving.)

mucho autobus y trafico (a lot of buses and traffic)

nada mas preocupada por la seguridad de mis hijos. Nothing more than worried about the security of my children.

sin comentarios!!! (no comments)

para que nos preguntan eso van a cambiar a mi hija de escuela porque me preocupan. (because/so they ask us, this is going to a change my child to school because I worry?)

cuando cae nieve las banqueta alrededor de la escuela no se limpian. (when snow falls, the sidewalks around school aren't cleaned).

la inseguridad seria k hay muchos carros y poco persona cuidando el cruce de los ninos. los ninos cuando se encuentran solos sin el cuidado de un adulto son muy traviesos y se cruzan las calles sin cuidar el peligro k esto representa. (The serious insecurity is there are a lot of cars and not many persons protecting the crossing for the children. The kids when they go alone without protection of an adult they are very naughty and cross the streets without caring about the danger it represents.)

me preocupa porque en invierno hace mucho frio y la nina se enferma seguido por el frio y ella tiene que caminar porque vivimos a un bloque de la escuela. (I worry because in winter it's very cold and the child gets sick because of the cold and she has to walk because we live a block from the school.)

los peligros que existan en la calle. (the dangers that exist on the street)

no tengo ninguna preocupacion a cerca de la seguridad de caminar para llevar a mi hija a la escuela. (I don't have any worry about the security of walking to bring my child to school.)

yo pienso que es muy peligroso si los ninos caminan solo a la escuela, pero si su mam o cualquier persona los acompana esta bien asi uno no le tiene que buscar transportation. gracias. (I think it is very dangerous if kids walk alone to school, but if their mom or some other person accompanies them its good, also one doesn't have to search for transportation. Thanks.)

mi preocupacion es cuando mi hijo crusa la calle porque falta guardio en la calle thousen yo boy a estar mas tranquila cuando pongan guardio en esa calle. gracias. (My worry is when my child crossing the street because there isn't a guard in the street Thousen (Thompson?) I will be more calm when they put a guard at this street. Thanks.) mi comentario es que por la seguridad de los ninos por la trabesia de las calles y el peligro de los carros.(My comment is for the security of the kids at street crossings and the danger of the cars.)

a mi me gusta que los ninos ? en bicicleta porque es muy peligrosa por las cara que ciepre andan muy laga y los nino no miran y los mucha acidente que pasa. (I like that kids go on bike because it's very dangerous for the cars? That always go very laga? and the kids don't look and many accidents happen.)

1) preocupacion a que cualquier estrano tenga actitudes malas a mi hija o otro nino. (Worry that some stranger has bad attitudes for my child or another child.)

2) a un accidente de carro o cualquier otro tipo de accidente para cualquier nino (for a car accident or some other type of accident for some child).

la preocupacion mas grande, es de que por esta sona, o quenida hay muchas personas que no le dan privelgio a los ninos que cruzan a la escuela, principalmente los que tienan su propio transporte sin importarles que los ninos caminen a la escuela. (The biggest worry is that for this zone? or quenida? there are a lot of people that don't give priority to kids who cross to the school, mainly those that have their own transport and don't care about the kids who walk to school.)

mucho trafico en las calles donde camina mi hija (a lot of traffic in the streets where my child walks.)

no tengo problema en trus lado? escolar

solamente un poco preocupado al crusar las calles (only a little worried about crossing streets) en la actualidad yo creo que los extranos o llamados depredadores infantiles, falta de consientizacion de las personas que manejan. y de los ninos peleadores o gangas. (In reality I think that strangers or known child predators, the lack of concience of the people who drive. and the bullies or gangs.)

que los carros no respetan al peaton y muchas veces no hay policia para que los ninos puedan pasar tranquilos. (that the cars don't respect pedestrians and a lot of times there isn't police so that the kids can pass calmly.)

la seguridada que tengo es que mi hijo tiene la escuela cerca y no tiene que caminar nulho?

mi precupacion es que algun dia ami hija la baya a tropeyar un carro como tiene que cruzar la venida o le hara apegar los nino mas grande o puede pasa alguna cosa mas desagradable pues ya ben que en la calle pasa cosa que abese uno ni se la es pera como en la calle hay personas que no se tocon el corazon. (???)

extranos que ofrecen drogas a los ninos, accidentes, que podrian ocurrir entre los mimos ninos en bicicletas. (Strangers that offer drugs to kids, accidentes that can occur between the same kids on bikes.)

andar en bicicleta es muy peligroso porque no hay quiero las cruze y puede aver un accidente a pior aun una trajedia. (Going on bike is very dangerous because there isn't...???)

mi comentario es que no se si las preguntas la conteste bien pero tambien por mi hijo porque no estoy tan combensida todavia que que andre solo por las calles. (My comment is that I don't know if the questions were answered well but also for my child because I am not too convinced yet that he should walk alone in the streets.)

a veces no hay quien ayude a los ninos a cruzar la calle y eso es peligroso yo camino con mi hija todas las mananas y veo muchos ninos pequenos ir solos a la escuela. (At times there is no one helping kids cross the street and this is dangerous. I walk with my child every morning and I see a lot of small kids going alone to school.)

debe haber mas vigilancia de la policia en las areas cerca de la escuela. (Should have more vigilance by the police in areas close to school.)

a mi como madre me preocupa que a los ninos que no los acompane su mama a la escuela les pueda pasar algun accidente (atropellar un carro). (For me as a mother I worry that the kids that aren't accompanied by their mothers can have an accident.)

mi hijo camina porque vivo atras de la escuela (My child walks because I live in back of the school)

me preocupa que los ninos caminen por que puedan tener accidentes al cruzar las calles a pueden ser lastimados por otros personas. (I worry that the kids walk because they can have

accidents crossing the street or can be injured by other people.)

mi preocupacion es que en la avenida remsen no ay stop para cruzar los ninos a la escuela es peligroso. (My worry is that on the avenue Remsen there isn't a stop to cross the kids to school. It's dangerous.)

lo mayor preocupacion de los ninos peleadores en la calle y ninos ladrones de vicicletas. (The main worry is of bullies in the street and kids stealing bikes.)

mi decicion es que camina secansa a veces. Ilueve. ase mucho calor y ase frio. (My decision is to walk except for at times? Rain, really hot or really cold.

me preocupa porque algunas besus mis ninos caminan solos a casa y porque los conductores que no tienen cuidado para condusir. (I worry because sometimes my children walk alone home and because the drivers don't take care while driving.)

mi preocupacion es cuando la persona que hayuda a cruzar a los ninos, no esta y se tiene que esperar a que no vengan carros para poder cruzar. (My worry is when the person that helps cross the kids isn't there and one needs to wait until cars aren't coming in order to cross.)

por ahora no tengo ninguno preocupacion acerca de la seguridad de de mi hijo. ya que yo lo llevo a la escuela y el papa lo recoge. (For now I don't have any worry about the security of my child. As I take to school and the father picks him up.

a mi no me preocupa que mis ninas tengan que caminar a la escuela porque no esta muy lejos y ellas caminan siempre acompanadoas por mi. (I don't worry that my kids have to walk to school because it's not very far and they always walk accompanied by me.)

para mi es mucho mejor caminando toman aire. lipio y hacen ejercio es mi punta de vista porque estoy cerca y es mas seguro que en bicicleta. (For me it's much better walking taking air. Clean? and doing exercise is my view because I am close and it's safer than on bike.)

si me preocupa porque hay seguridad para pasar a los nina para la escuela en bicicleta tambien es peligroso porque para crusar en la carreteras no se fijan en los lados para cruzar. (??Yes it worries me because there is security to pass the kids for the school on bike also it's dangerous because to cross in the streets it's not fixed in the sides to cross??)

no hay suficiente vigilansia en la calle cuando estan cruzanto la calle. (There isn't sufficient vigilance in the street when they are crossing the street.)

como madre aumentarian mis preocupaciones y temores de pensar que mis hijos puedan tener un accidente pues pienso que el ir a la escuela en vicicleta aumenta el riesgo de un accidente. (As a mother it raises my worries and fears that my kids can have an accidente then i think that going to school on bike raises the risk of an accident.)

caminando conso y do proteje aso nino porque ay ninos queles justa agreder a otros ninos penos.

mi preocupacion es que lo ninos vallan caminando a la escuela y que cruzan la calle sin supervision de un adulto. (My worry is that kids go walking to school and they cross the street without adult supervision.)

usando bicicleta se pueda ocacionar muchos accidentes, ya sea que el nino se caiga o con algun choferde carro. (Using bikes can cause a lot of accidents, whether a kid falls or with some chauffered? car.)

el cruse de carreteras el que no deven platicar con des conosidos. tratar de no vernir solos. (the street crossing, that they shouldn't talk with conosidos?. Try not to go alone.)

que pongan un limite de velocidad maximo en las calles mas cercanas a la eescuelas y personas que sean jovenes para cruze de ninos a la escuela para que las personas manejar respetan a las personas que cruzan a ninos de escuela. (that they put a speed limit on the streets closest to the schools and people that are young to cross the kids to the school so that people driving respect people who cross schoolkids.)

me preocupa el cruce del cemaforo y la distancia del la escuela (I worry about the stoplight crossing and the distance of the school.)

yo Alfredo Chavez papa de Alfredo Chavez mi hijo escribo estas palabras yo no tengo problema con mi hijo porque yo loyebo alaes cuela y lorecojo. ( I, Alfredo Chavez, father of Alfredo Chavez my child wrote these words. I don't have a problem with my child because I take him to school and pick him up.)

me preocupo si seva en bicicleta porque ay muchos locos manejando su carro y no repetan las

luses y caminando solo tambien me preocupa porque ay personas malas por el camino y le puedan aser algo. (I worry if they go on bike because there are a lot of crazies driving their car and don't respect the lights and walking also also worries me because there are bad people on the street and they can do something.)

la escuela esta muy cerca de la casa (The school is very close to home).

el robo y las pandillas son algo extremamente peligroso para mi como madre. (Theft and the gangs are things extremely dangerous for me as a mother.)

necesitamos una persona para que cruze a los ninos en la av. Joyce Kilmer y Redmond Gracias. (We need a person to cross kids on Joyce Kilmer and Redmond. Thanks.)

hay una preocupacion que un nino vaya en bicicleta por los carros etc. un nino no puede ir solo a la escuela sin un adulto.(there is a worry that a child bikes for the cars, etc. a child cannot go alone to school without an adult.)

I drove my son to school. But I will not let him walk alone. There are to many strangers, vehicles speeding. Also during winter time is to cold to let a child walk or use a bicycle.

me preocupa porque algunas beses mis ninos caminan solos a casa y porque los conductores que no tienen cuidado para condusir. (I worry because sometimes my children walk home alone and because the drivers that aren't careful driving.)

hacen falta senalamientos como "zona escolar", esta ultima sobre la misma carretera con letras grandes en ambos sentidos del camino. Me preocupan las landitas de ninos o ninas (gangas) seria bueno detectarlas y procurar hablar con las padres acerca de ninos proplematicos. (Need signs like "school zone", the latter on the same road with large letters in both directions along the way. I am concerned about groups of boys or girls (gangs). It would be good to detect them and talk with parents about problem children.)

para que los ninos se puedan ir caminando solos a la escuela tienen que poner mas seguridad. Tambien cerrarlas calles para que los carros no pasen por esa seccion, para prevenir los accidentes (So that kids that can walk alone to school need to have more security. Also close the streets so that the cars dont pass in this section in order to prevent accidents.)

el camina 2 cuadras. con su hermano y primos y la tia. y no hay ningun problema. (he walks two blocks. With his sister and cousins and aunt. And there is no problem.)

pienso que caminar ala escuela es bueno para la salud tanbien usar bicicleta siempre cuando lo agan con los padres o con una persona adulta porque y muchos ninos caminando solos ala escuela porque los padre trabajamor sin darnos cueta que nosotros hijos corren peligro.( I think that walking to school is healthy. also biking always when its with the parents or an adult because there are a lot of children walking alone to school because the parents work without realizing our kids are at risk)

no es seguro (it's not safe)

mi hijo vive lejos y no puede ir en bicicletas, ni caminando deceari que tuviera transportacion (bus). Ademas tengo 2 ninas en otra escuela que entran a la misma hora y el transcurso de una escuela a la otra se me hace un poco dificil. (my child lives far and cannot bike, or walk deceari? have transportation (bus). Besides, I have two children in another school that enter at the same time and the course of one school makes it a little difficult.)

me da miedo que mi hijo balla en bicicleta por los carros al pasar las calles. (it makes me scared that my child bikes for the cars passing the streets.)

para mi es mejor caminar que ir en la bicicleta, porque caminando haci puede uno cruzar hagarrado de la mano de la nina, el puede uno evidar el accidente. (for me it's better walking than biking because walking one can cross holding the child's hand, one can avoid an accident.)

es mejor caminar porque esta serca. (It's better to walk because it's close)

yo opino que los ninos no deben ir en vicicleta a la escuela el riesgo de accidentes para los ninos. (I believe that kids shouldn't bike to school the risk of accidents for the kids.)

yo no preocupo por mis hijas porque yo los yebo ala es cuela a pie me queda cerca a dos blokes.

pero me preocupa los ninos que ban en bicicleta por alguna caida. (I don't worry for my kids I leave them at school on foot I stay close at two blocks. But I worry the kids that go on bike for some fall.)

la seguridad en los cruces (intersecciones) (the security in the crosses/intersections) usar bicicleta para ir a la escuela para mi es mas peligroso que ir caminando caminar para mi es mas sano y seguro que en bicicleta porque ir em bicicleta corren mas peligros los ninos por los carros que corren en las carreteras porque ay condutores que siempre andan ala carrera. ho deprise que no miden la velocidad de sus autos. (to use a bicycle to go to school for me is more dangerous than walking. To walk for me is more safe and healthy than on bike because biking runs more danger the kids for the cars that run in the streets because there are drivers that always walk in the carrera?. They go fast and don't measure the speed of their autos.) ay personas pralos? y muchos pandilla (there are persons pralos? And lots of gangs.)

necesitamos que el trafico no sobre pase velocidades altas a la hora de que las ninos estan llendo para la escuela o para la casa y una persona para el stop. en la ave. Joyce Kilmer y Redmond. (We need the traffic to not pass high speeds at the time the kids are going to school or home and a person for the stop in the avenue. Joyce Kilmer and Redmond).

The following questions were written to find out some personal information about the respondents. These questions were listed as optional.

**Question 16: What is your age range? Question 17: Are you male or female?** 

| Age         |    | Sex    |     |
|-------------|----|--------|-----|
| 45-54 years | 5  | Male   | 38  |
| 35-44 years | 43 | Female | 110 |
| 25-34 years | 89 |        |     |
| 18-24 years | 7  |        |     |

Question 18: What is the highest grade or year of school you have completed? Question 19: Which one of these groups would you say best represents your race?

| Education Level  |    |
|--|----|
| Prefer not to answer   | 9  |
| Grades 9 through 11 (Some high school)                       | 24 |
| Grades 1 through 8 (Elementary)                              | 55 |
| Grade 12 or GED (High school graduate)                       | 40 |
| College 4 years or more (College graduate)                   | 2  |
| College 1 year to 3 years (Some college or technical school) | 13 |

| Race                      |     |
|---------------------------|-----|
| White                     | 4   |
| Prefer not to answer      | 4   |
| Other: (specify)          | 1   |
| Hispanic/Latino           | 135 |
| Black or African American | 3   |

"Other" specified:

|          | Race |   |
|----------|------|---|
| Guyanese |      | 1 |