Ontario Active School Travel

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Welcome!

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Kids in the bus zone use the bus

John McCrae Public School, Guelph (Google Streetview)

Kids in the walk zone walk to school

.........or cycle, or scoot!

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Program
Est. 2018

Centralized Resources and support services

Ontario Active School Travel Fund
supporting local programs

Tools & guides
Council
Learning Network
Training & coaching
Walk & wheel events

Round 1
March 2018
12 projects
$1.1m

Round 2
Fall 2018
• Application-based funding
• $30k - $100k per grant
• Focus on elementary (grades K–8)
• Round 2: Fall 2018

Stay tuned:
http://www.ontarioactiveschooltravel.ca/
Who can apply?

- Municipality
- School Board
- Non-profit corporation
- Public Health
- Student Transportation Consortium

Types of organizations that applied to the Fund (Round 1):

- Municipality: 35%
- Non-profit Corporation
- Non-profit Corporation & Other: Charity
- Public Health
- School Board
- Student Transportation Consortium
Featured Resource

Active Transportation Lesson Plans

These lesson plans from Metrolinx can help teachers to engage students in classroom lessons on the environmental, health and social benefits of making active and sustainable travel choices.

Grade 1: Science and Technology

Grade 5: Social Studies

Grade 9: Health and Phys Ed
iwalk-iwheel Club

Register your class/school at:
http://www.ontarioactiveschooltravel.ca/
Walk & wheel events calendar

Walk to School Month (IWALK)
October

Winter Walk Day
1st Wednesday of February

Spring into Spring
Anytime in April

Bike to School Week
Last week of May
School Travel Planning

**5 E’s**
- Education
- Encouragement
- Engineering
- Enforcement
- Evaluation

**School Travel Plan**

**Planning Phase**
- Setup
  - Identify school champion and confirm school participation
- Assess Conditions
  - Complete school travel profile, walkabout, surveys, traffic counts

**Implementation Phase**
- Implementation
  - Education, Encouragement, Enforcement, Engineering, Evaluation
- Action Planning
  - Create School Travel Plan

**Maintenance Phase**
- Ongoing Monitoring & Improvement
  - Education, Encouragement, Enforcement, Engineering, Evaluation

(Source: Metrolinx, Green Communities Canada, and University of Toronto, 2014)
Inclusive Planning & Engagement

STP Toolkit

The Canadian STP Toolkit: Guide for Facilitators

Spring 2018

Green Communities CANADA

for Facilitators to take schools through the STP process
Assess conditions >>>>>>> Develop solutions

Walkabout Survey

Traffic Observation

School & Family Travel Surveys
Why does this rural elementary school in Dufferin County have so many large bikes?

Why are so many of the cyclists not using the existing bike rack?
School Travel Planning (STP)

“A process designed to bring together local stakeholders to identify the barriers to active school travel and develop an action plan.”

Walk zone or Bus Zone? Best routes to school? Current travel mode?

Travel Decision Maker

Student data
Walking hazards
Transport services
Mapping & route planning

Regional STP Committee
STP Facilitator
School STP Committee

School Boards
Traffic Engineering
Planning: Transportation and Land Use
Police/By-law Services
Teachers
Principal or Vice-Principal

Students
Parents
Elected Officials
Local Delivery Partners
Local Interest Groups
Public Health Nurse
Public Health

Student Transportation Services
Thank you!

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