

JOIN A WALKING SCHOOL BUS!

The Burbank Walks PTA Committee coordinates several Walking School Buses to encourage regular walking to school. This spring, the Walking School Buses will officially begin on **Wednesday, May 3rd**.

We hope your family will try out a Walking School Bus and have fun on Walking Wednesdays!

What is a Walking School Bus?

- A group of children walking together accompanied by adults on a pre-determined route to or from school. The Burbank Walks PTA committee worked with Mass Safe Routes to School to plan the safest Walking School Bus routes that best serve our school neighborhoods.
- A social, healthy, and green form of transportation!

How does a Walking School Bus work?

- Burbank's Walking School Buses will operate weekly, on Walking Wednesdays in the fall and spring.
- A parent volunteer serves as the coordinator for each walking bus route.
- Parents take turns to "drive" the walking bus. At least two parent drivers accompany the walking children all the way to the school blacktop.
- Parents are NOT required to help as drivers in order for children to participate.
- Children are expected to follow safe walking rules and listen to the walking bus drivers, who will supervise street crossings.
- Parent drivers and student walkers assemble at the starting point or at one of the bus stops at least 5 minutes before departure time.
- The walking bus will follow a set route and make scheduled stops where other walkers can join the bus. The drivers keep the bus walking on schedule.

Walking School Bus Routes

1. Red: from Concord Ave/ Baker St via Bright Rd and Gale Rd to rear of Burbank.

Coordinator: Haijie Ding
hding@spencerstuart.com

2. Orange: from School St/ Lewis Rd along School St across Washington to front of Burbank.

Coordinator: Carrie Palmer
cbither2002@yahoo.com

3. Yellow: from Dalton Rd/ Elm St along Dalton Rd and via Sharpe Rd to Burbank.

Coordinator: Clare Crawford
crawfocl@yahoo.com

4. Green: from School St/ Oak St along School St to Burbank.

Coordinator: Katie Sbay
mcnuttherzog13@gmail.com

How do I join a Walking School Bus or find out more?

Scan the QR code below, fill out the attached form, or use this address to access our Walking School Bus form online:

<https://goo.gl/forms/buTFLtva1OMes1rB3>

Thank you for participating!

Questions? Contact:

Clare Crawford crawfocl@yahoo.com



Walking School Bus Rules:

Walk, don't run.

Face forwards and watch where you are stepping.

Stay on the sidewalk, no more than two people side-by-side.

Stay behind the front WSB driver and in front of the rear driver.

No scooters or bikes; the WSB is for walking only.

Listen carefully to adult WSB drivers, especially at crosswalks.

Do not carry anything that could hurt yourself or others (i.e. no sticks).

Stay with the WSB all the way to the blacktop.

Parental Informed Consent Form

My family will join the (check one):

Red WSB from Concord Ave & Baker St

Orange WSB on School St from Lewis Rd

Yellow WSB on Dalton Rd from Elm St

Green WSB on School St from Orchard St

Parent's Name: _____

Student's Name: _____

Grade: _____

Student's Name: _____

Grade: _____

Student's Name: _____

Grade: _____

Home Address: _____

Cell # _____

Email Address: _____

I can help as a Walking School Bus Driver on some Wednesday mornings (Yes/No) _____

(Parents are NOT required to help as drivers in order for children to participate, but help is appreciated.)

By signing below, I confirm that:

- I have received and read the Walking School Bus parent information packet;
- I have reviewed the Walking School Bus rules with my child(ren);
- I am aware of my responsibilities as a parent in the Walking School Bus;
- I understand that the Walking School Bus is a parent-organized activity and that parent volunteers supervise the Walking School Bus group;
- I understand that while WSB parent coordinators/drivers will take all reasonable measures to ensure the safety of the group, there are risks inherent with walking to school.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____