



Springfield Safe Routes to School

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Springfield
Public Schools

Encouraging healthy, active transportation in our community

SRTS Mission and Partners

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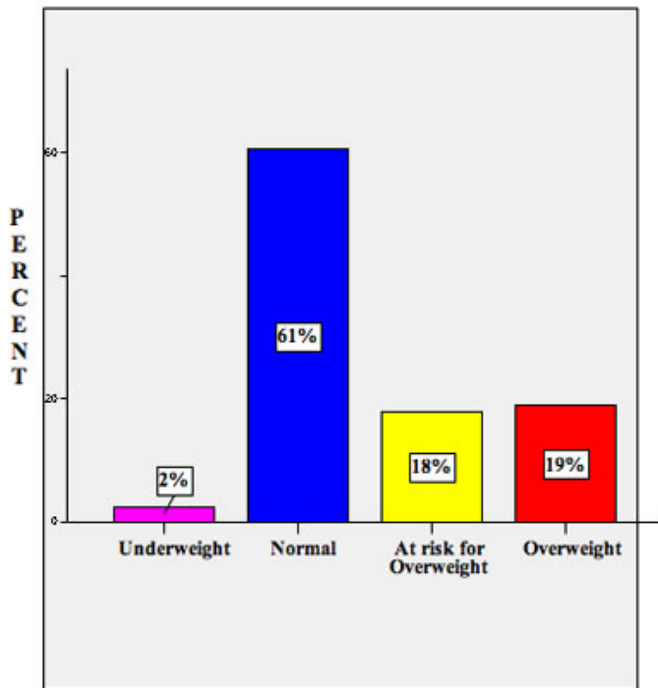


Mission: Eugene-Springfield Safe Routes to School is a community approach to encouraging and enabling more people to walk and bike to and from school safely.

Lane County Health

Lane County Schools: BMI Project Data Analysis

The sample (n = 10,853) represents students from 56% of Lane County's 16 school districts



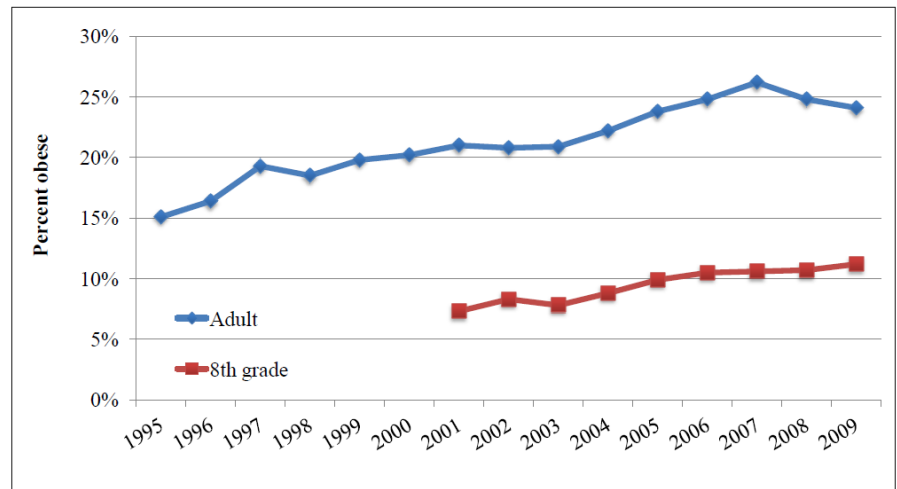
CDC Values:
 BMI of 0% - 5% = Underweight
 BMI of 5% - 85% = Normal
 BMI of 85% - 95% = At Risk for Overweight
 BMI of 95% or greater = Overweight

Most youth aren't getting the physical activity they need

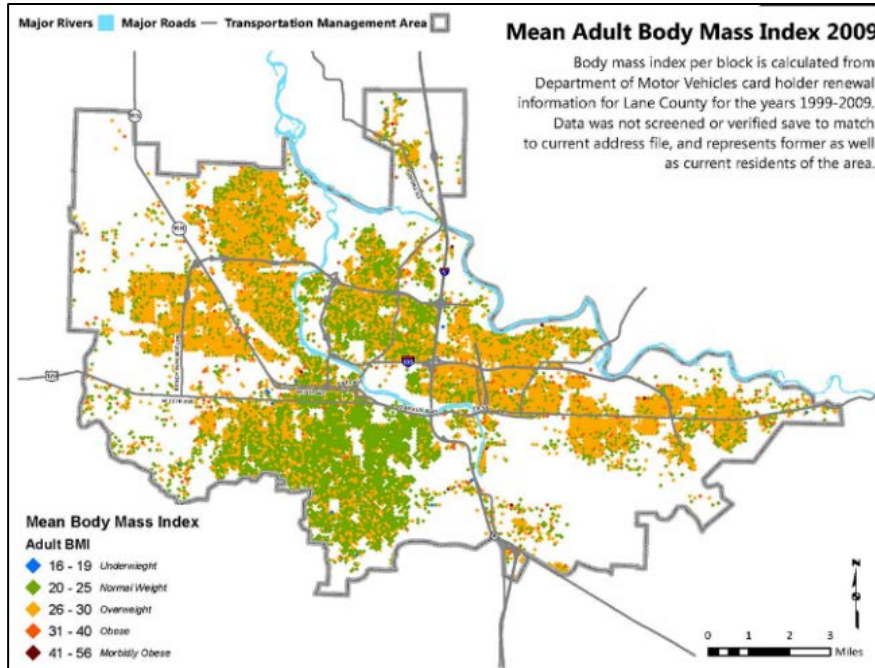
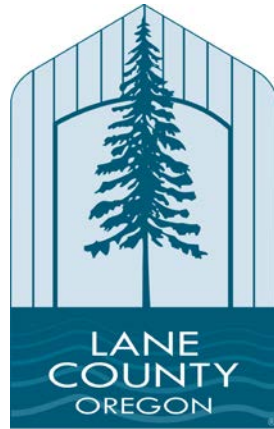
Recommended **60 minutes** on most, preferably all, days of the week

(US Depts. of Health and Human Services and Agriculture, 2005)

Prevalence of obesity among adults and 8th graders, Oregon, 1995 to 2009.



Lane County Health Partnerships



Encouragement

Walk+Bike Events, Free Bike Safety Checks, Kidical Mass Family Rides

"My oldest son has some minor learning difficulties, and being able to walk to school each morning really helps him focus. It starts his day off better." - Mother

"This has given me an excuse to wake up a bit earlier than normal to get some exercise in the morning" - Mother



Encouragement

- Walking School Bus
- Boltage



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Choosing Safe Routes to School



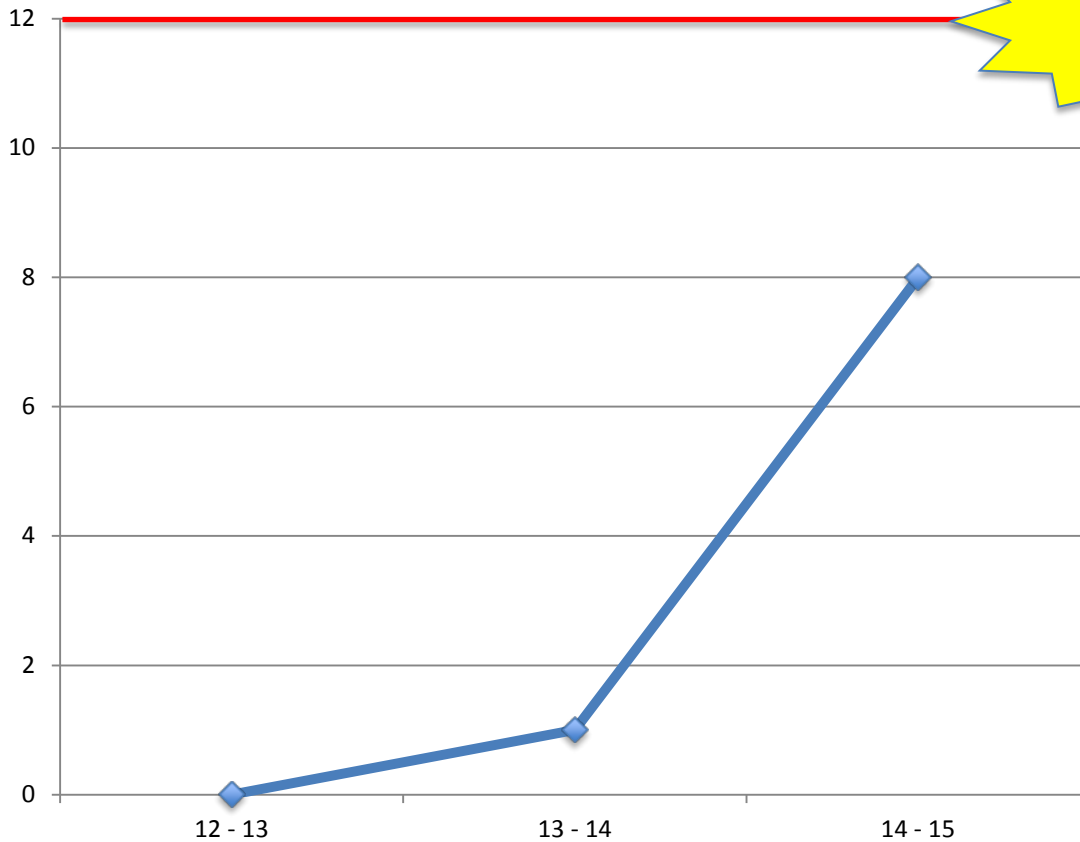
Pedestrian Safety Education



- Curriculum - gives students the knowledge to identify safe and unsafe places to walk
- Prevents unintentional injury
- Pairs nicely with “Walking School Bus” program

Pedestrian Education

Pedestrian Safety Education (Elementary)



\$2,400/yr

All SPS
Elementary
Schools



◆ Pedestrian Safety Education Reach Elementary Schools



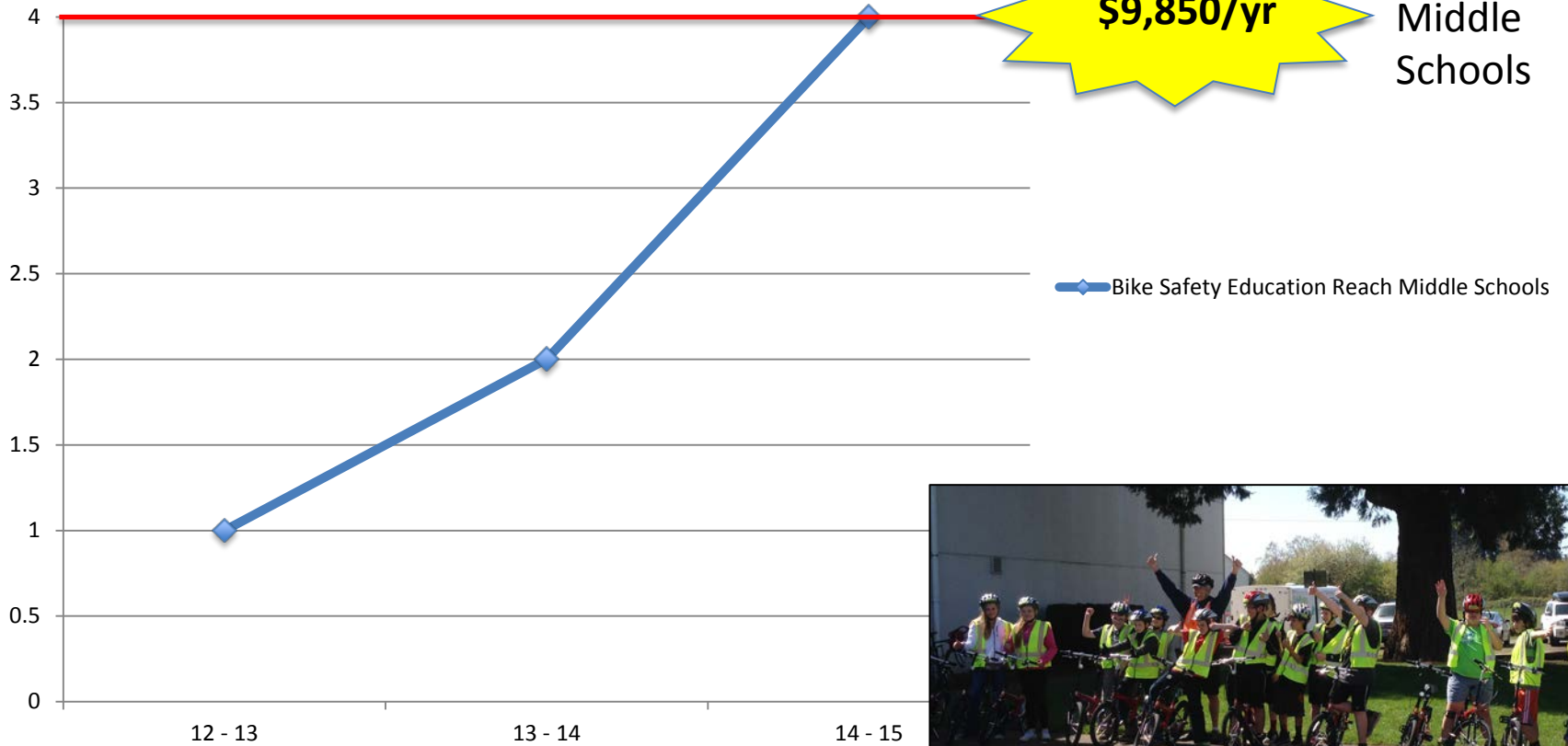


Bike Safety Education

- Ideal for 6th graders
- Curriculum - Award winning “Safe Routes for Kids - Bicycle Safety Education Program”
- Teaches on-the-bike skills at school and on the road with traffic
- 10 hours - on and off bicycle learning

Bike Education

Bike Safety Education Reach (Middle Schools)



Education

- Purchased our fleet!
 - 42 locally manufactured bikes
 - Trailer for storage and transportation



Enforcement



- Crossing guards
- Partner with police to enforce speed limits
- Speed readers
- Helmet access

Engineering



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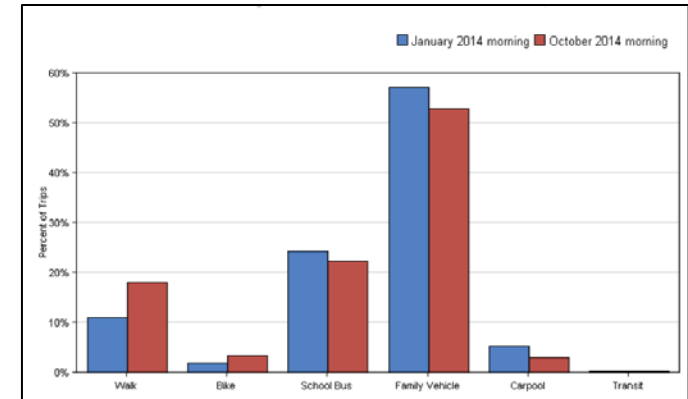
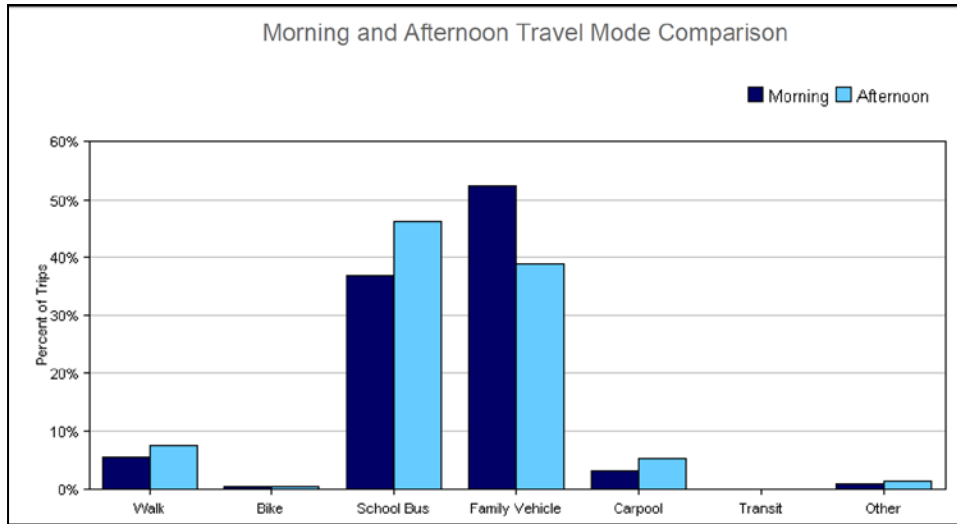


Upcoming Engineering Successes

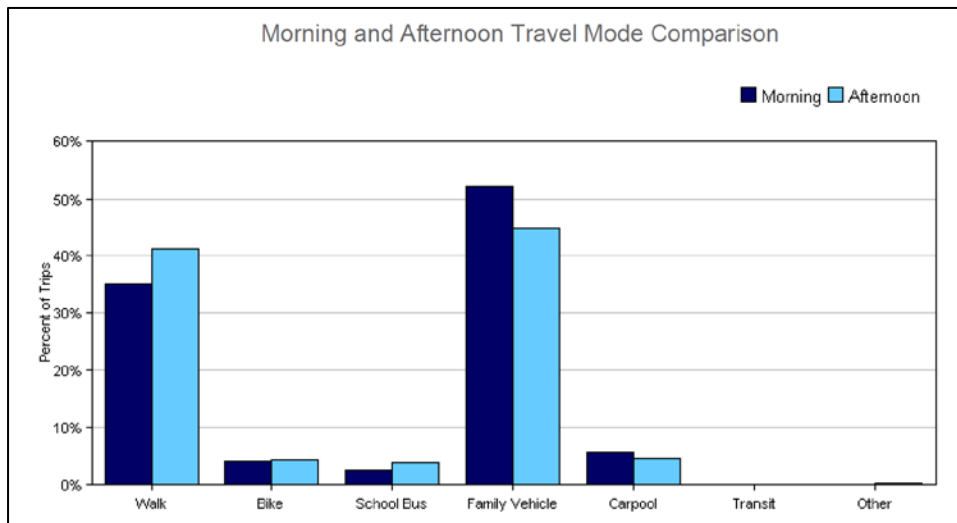
- Page parking lot redesign
 - dedicated 10 ft sidewalk leading to front of school
- Thurston high school flashing crossing
- Bike parking improvements (60 new bike racks, 6 schools)
- Hamlin Middle School Replacement



Evaluation



- 9 schools collecting transportation data



School Bicycle Parking Assessment

Report produced by Shane MacFhionn and Emma Newman

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Evaluation

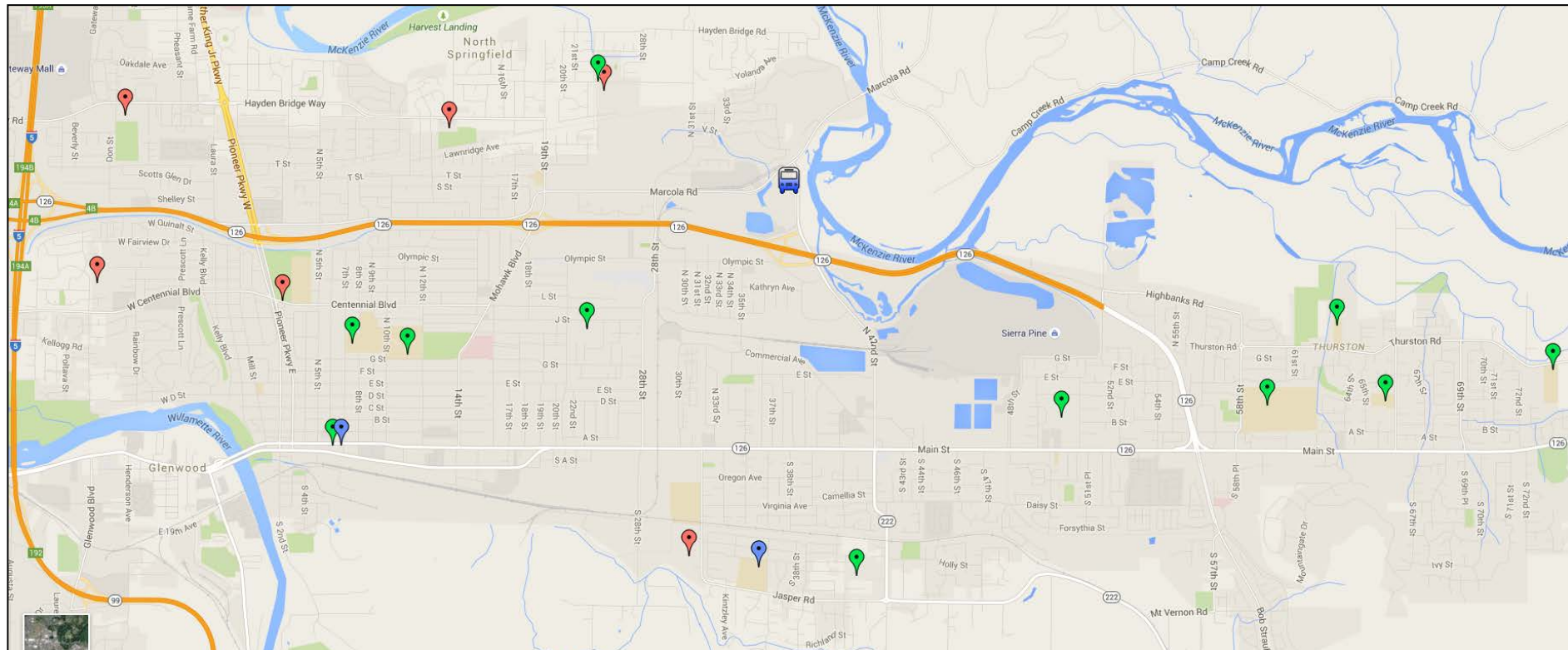
- In the first 2 years...

Red – Action Plan

Green – Some SRTS Activity

Blue – No SRTS Activity

- 6 Action Plans Complete
- 91% of schools currently have SRTS activities



Funding

- Additional Grant Funding Obtained (>\$22,000)
 - Jane Higdon Bike Fund
 - Alliance for Healthy Families collaborative grants
 - Education Foundation Pedestrian Safety Education
 - SELCO Educator Minigrant for bike fleet helmets

- Community support
 - Disaster Relief Trials
 - GEARs Ride
 - Restaurant fundraisers
 - Haggen Donation



Goals

- Fund/implement infrastructure improvements
 - Walk+Bike network: sidewalks, path connectors, flashing crosswalks, improved bike parking
- Expand pedestrian safety to all 12 ES, maintain bike safety at all 4 MS in district
- Reach at least 75% Walk+Bike event participation across Springfield
- Increase support for school crossing guards



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