

How Walkable and Accessible is Your School?

Take this survey on the walk your child takes to school and decide for yourself.

If possible, take a child with you. All of these questions apply to wheelchair travel as well as walking.

Directions:

- Read over the survey before you go.
- If your walk covers a variety of areas, please answer the survey questions for the main type of streets covered.
- To mark your answers, blacken the boxes.
- Make sure you have answered each question.

1. Location of your walk

a. Primary streets: _____

b. City or area of walk (mark only one)

- Neighborhood 1 – Replace with relevant local data!
- Neighborhood 2 – Replace with relevant local data!
- Neighborhood 3 – Replace with relevant local data!

2. What type of streets do you walk on, primarily?

- Residential (mostly homes)
- Commercial (mostly businesses)
- Rural (few homes or businesses)

3. What is the posted speed limit, primarily?

- 25 mph 45 mph
- 35 mph not posted

4. Do you have enough room to walk?

- Yes
- No, because... (mark all that apply)
 - No sidewalks or paths, or they're way too narrow
 - There are no shoulders (if no sidewalks)
 - Sidewalks or paths started and stopped
 - Sidewalks are broken or cracked
 - Sidewalks are blocked with poles, signs, shrubbery, trash bins, etc.
 - Puddles or ice or snow
 - Anything else? _____

Overall rating for room to walk:

awful 1 2 3 4 5 6 excellent

5. Is it easy to cross streets?

- Yes
- No, because... (mark all that apply)

8. Anything else this survey didn't cover? _____

9. Any particularly bad problem that needs immediate attention? _____

10. Could any of these problems be fixed right away with little or no expense? _____

- Road is too wide
- There is no center island to use when crossing
- There is too much traffic
- Traffic is going too fast
- There is no traffic signal
- Too far to nearest signal or other safe crossing
- Traffic signals make us wait too long
- Signals do not give us enough time to cross
- Parked cars block our view of traffic
- Trees or plants block our view of traffic
- Need curb ramps or ramps needed repair
- Anything else? _____

Overall rating for crossing:

awful 1 2 3 4 5 6 excellent

6. Do drivers in this area usually behave well?

- Yes
- No. Drivers... (mark all that apply)
 - Back out of driveways without looking
 - Do not yield to people crossing the street
 - Turn into people crossing the street
 - Drive too fast
 - Speed up to make it through traffic lights or drive through red lights
 - Anything else? _____

Overall rating for drivers:

awful 1 2 3 4 5 6 excellent

7. Is your walk pleasant and safe?

- Yes
- No, because... (mark all that apply)
 - Need more grass, flowers, or trees
 - Scary dogs
 - Scary people
 - Dirty, lots of litter or trash
 - Too much traffic
 - Not enough light from street lights or houses
 - Anything else? _____

Overall rating for pleasant:

awful 1 2 3 4 5 6 excellent