

Cupertino Safe Routes to School



Fall 2018 Student Transportation Survey Results

Thank you to all who participated in our recent Safe Routes to School fall 2018 student transportation survey. This survey is vital to helping us better understand student transportation modes in Cupertino and we appreciate all of our schools for taking the time to gather and provide us their data. This year we observed some encouraging trends across all school levels. Most interesting is the data that we collected from Stevens Creek Elementary, Garden Gate Elementary, Lawson Middle, and Homestead High. At the elementary school level, Stevens Creek Elementary has seen a

Fall 2018	Walk	Bike	Bus	Carpool	Transit	Other	Family Vehicle	Total Alternative Transportation
Elementary Schools	29%	3%	1%	14%	0%	2%	51%	49%
Middle Schools	25%	10%	1%	17%	0%	2%	46%	54%
High Schools	23%	13%	1%	9%	3%	1%	50%	50%
Citywide	26%	7%	1%	14%	1%	2%	50%	50%

Cupertino SR2S High School Representatives!

Cupertino Safe Routes to School has successfully recruited five high school student representatives! We now have two student representatives at both Cupertino High and Homestead High Schools, and one at Monta Vista. These students will lead programs at their respective schools and will attend our monthly working group meetings to share their ideas. We look forward to what these bright and passionate students will bring to Cupertino Safe Routes to School!

Bike Fest Video

Check out the <u>video</u> from our recent fall bike fest!

steady increase over the last 3 years in their walking rate. A trend which could be directly attributed to their weekly Wednesday Walk & Roll program. Additionally, another Cupertino elementary school, Garden Gate Elementary, has the highest student walking rate out of all 14 Cupertino schools. At the middle school level, Lawson Middle has the highest student biking rate out of all Cupertino schools. However, what's most exciting is that this biking rate has increased steadily every year since Safe Routes started collecting survey data more than 4 years ago. Lastly, Homestead High reported little variation in student transportation modes from the morning to the afternoon. This is different from most schools which usually see a substantial difference between morning and afternoon student transportation modes. What we normally see is that in the morning there is a high family vehicle rate, but in the afternoon that family vehicle rate decreases and we see a rise in the number of students that walk or carpool. However, at Homestead High School the transportation mode of choice for students in the morning is typically the same for when they leave school too. This means that the Homestead students who walk to school will also walk home, those who bike to school will bike home, and the students who drive to school will drive home. For the complete student transportation report and for more information regarding the transportation survey please visit our website, www.cupertino.org/saferoutes/data.



Carmen Avenue Bridge Community Survey

The City of Cupertino invites you to share your thoughts about a new pedestrian and bicycle bridge through this short survey.

The City is currently conducting a feasibility study for a bicycle/pedestrian bridge across Stevens Creek Blvd at Carmen Road, which is located between Phar Lap Drive and Foothill Expressway. This new bridge would connect the neighborhoods north and south of Stevens Creek Blvd by providing an alternative location to cross. It would allow for easy and safe access to and from residences, parks and recreation centers. It would also create a safer biking and walking route for students who need to cross Stevens Creek Boulevard to get to Stevens Creek Elementary, Kennedy Middle and Monta Vista High schools.



Crossing Flag Program Update

We at Cupertino Safe Routes to School are committed to improving the safety of our students and residents. To this end, we are working to expand our reflective crossing flag program to more Cupertino schools and neighborhoods. Recently, we installed new flags at Lawson Middle and Regnart Elementary, with plans to install crossing flags at Garden Gate Elementary in early 2019. If you are interested in bringing this crossing flag program to your school, email us at saferoutes@cupertino.org. We will review your request to see if your intersection meets our crossing flags criteria and will work with you to help maintain any flags that we install.

How to Get Involved!

Interested in helping Cupertino Safe Routes 2 School? Email us at <u>saferoutes@cupertino.org</u>.