

Today is National Bike & Roll to School Day!

Communities across the U.S. join in this annual celebration of safe, active trips to school

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (May 7, 2025) — Today, communities across the Unites States are buckling helmets and lacing up sneakers for National Bike & Roll to School Day. This annual event, commemorating its 14th year, is set aside for children, families, school officials, and community leaders to focus on the joys and benefits of active travel to school and bring attention to the need for safe, accessible walking and biking routes.

"Every year we see an outpouring of enthusiasm for National Bike & Roll to School Day, created to help communities inspire safe spaces for biking, rolling, and walking," said Nancy Pullen-Seufert, Director of the National Center for Safe Routes to School. "Today, communities are launching bike buses, holding bike skills clinics, or simply taking a walk around a school track. The creativity and tailoring to local walking and biking options shines through."

To date, more than 2,100 events in 44 states and Washington, D.C. have been registered on walkbiketoschool.org. The total number of events is expected to grow as celebrations continue throughout May, which is National Bike Month. Any school or community that holds a Bike & Roll to School Day event in May is encouraged to register at walkbiketoschool.org. Coordinated by the National Center for Safe Routes to School, Bike & Roll to School Day is part of the movement for year-round safe routes to school.

A new part of the celebration this year is a Bike & Roll to School Day <u>image contest</u>. Communities are invited to submit one to two of their best May 2025 Bike & Roll to School Day photos.

To learn more about Bike & Roll to School Day, visit <u>walkbiketoschool.org</u>. The National Center for Safe Routes to School's coordination of Bike & Roll to School Day is made possible with support from General Motors and the UNC Highway Safety Research Center.

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About the National Center for Safe Routes to School

Established in May 2006, the National Center for Safe Routes to School, part of the UNC Highway Safety Research Center, helps support communities in changing their culture to support safe and active travel. As the coordinating organization for Walk & Roll to School Day held every October, Bike & Roll to School Day held each May, and the Vision Zero for Youth initiative, the National Center provides technical support, coordinates online registration, develops resources, and facilitates worldwide promotion and participation. For more information, visit walkbiketoschool.org.