



we're walking here nyc

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Step 1: Who's Walking Here?

Student Commute Survey

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Step 2: Understanding the Numbers
Step 3: Sharing your Message

Student Commute Survey

PURPOSE

If you are unable to use an entrance way data collection tool (wall chart or counters) to collect the numbers from the whole school, you can use a school-wide survey to collect the data. This can also be done with one grade level or your class alone.

DISTRIBUTION AND COLLECTION

1. Distribute the half-page survey sheet on a day towards the end of the school week so that students can remember how they commuted over a three day period. This is designed to be done by the whole school. You can ask your fellow teachers to give out the survey one morning during morning meeting or it can even be distributed with homework and returned the next day.
2. It will only take several minutes for the students to fill out the three-question survey. Each student should only fill out one survey.
3. Select some students responsible for collecting the surveys from other classrooms.
4. It will take some time to tally up the numbers from the surveys - especially if you do it school-wide. We suggest that you make either the large poster or counting container for your classroom (which you can find at <http://streetseducation.org/walking-schools>) to help your students add and record the data for each day. Counting three days' worth of data is important.
5. After the numbers have been "crunched", take some time to review the results and discuss how many students walk to your school each day. Remember to include those who walk to transit to get the full picture.

6. Recommended: Follow this step with the Bar Graph exercise provided at <http://streetseducation.org/walkingschools> as part of Step Two.

UPLOAD THE DATA - STEP TWO

When you are finished collecting data, be sure to upload the results on our website. You DO NOT need to add up the totals in order to fill out our easy-to-use online form. This key step will automatically register you in the city-wide contest. Don't forget to look up our online Step Two lesson plans and choose a lesson plan (or two) that helps your students analyze the data and learn about the streets around the school.

CONTENTS OF THIS KIT

- **Survey:** Each page has two identical copies of the survey. Print and cut the attached page in half with a paper cutter.

OTHER MATERIALS

You may need a few other materials that are not provided in this kit. These include:

- Pens or pencils
- Paper cutter
- The Collection Container Kit or the Entrance Way Poster Kit to make for your classroom in order to organize the numbers from the survey.

Commute Survey

Our school is doing a study to find out how students get to school. Please take a minute to let us know the following information about how you get to school. Please CIRCLE your answer (choose only ONE).

1

HOW DID YOU GET TO SCHOOL TODAY?

Walked

Biked

Rode the Subway or City Bus

Took the School Bus

Dropped off in a Car

Other:

2

HOW DID YOU GET TO SCHOOL YESTERDAY?

Walked

Biked

Rode the Subway or City Bus

Took the School Bus

Dropped off in a Car

Other:

3

HOW DID YOU GET TO SCHOOL THE DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY?

Walked

Biked

Rode the Subway or City Bus

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