

# Adrian Public Schools

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

This past summer I attended a workshop on a program called Safe Walk To Schools. This project is moving forward in a collaborative effort between the school, city, and county. Listed below is an overview of the purpose and possible benefits of developing a proposal to be considered for grant funding. Attached is a document titled "Parent Survey About Walking and Biking To School" which we are asking each family to fill out and return with their child to school on Monday.

### **Safe Walk To Schools Grant Explained**

The main focus of this project is to promote safety for our students as they walk, bike, and get transported to and from school. The attached survey will provide necessary data to complete the grant application, including the following:

- \*Data on traffic patterns around the two school zones.
- \*Data on how students get from one school building to the other.
- \*Data on how students arrive at school and how they get home from school.


Once the first step of the project is completed, which consists of this data gathering, a plan will be developed that will possibly include the following:

- \*A proposal for a designated safe route between the school buildings with a focus on creating/identifying a designated path for students to use.
- \*Better signage and safe crossing zones around our school and in our community.
- \*To promote the benefits of walking and riding bikes to school, with a focus on looking for ways to create better solutions for walking and biking, including things like bike lanes and bike racks.

### **Adrian Healthy Living Plan Overview (See link on the main page under Quick Links at [www.isd511.net](http://www.isd511.net))**

In conjunction with the Safe Walk To School grant, the City of Adrian is developing a Adrian Healthy Living Plan, and additional information can be found at the following links, including an interactive map that can be opened, and the public can post comments within this document regarding any ideas/concerns they might have related to this project. Please refer to the link posted here to learn more about this plan:

Notice: The City of Adrian is currently working on an Active Living Plan. [Click here](#) to be routed to the link to provide input.

 [Adrian Active Living Plan](#) informational sheets and we need your assistance to help gather information to present in this grant application.

Thank you for your assistance with this.

Sincerely,

Russell Lofthus

Adrian Elementary Principal/Safe Walk To School Task Force Member