Northeast Iowa

Safe Routes to School

2014-2015 Annual Report

A look into how students traveled to and from school in Allamakee, Clayton, Chickasaw, Fayette, Howard and Winneshiek counties in Northeast Iowa during the 2014-2015 school year

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The cover photo is of a Walking School Bus in New Hampton, Iowa in April 2015.

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A Year In Review

Dear Readers,

Greetings from your Regional Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Coordinator! As the Regional SRTS Liaison, I am the manager and champion of the Northeast Iowa SRTS Program. My main responsibilities are to enable and encourage students to safely walk and bike to school and in daily life.

The 2014-2015 school year was another exciting one for SRTS:

- 21 Walking School Buses in 13 communities
  - Reached 255 students and 50 adults!
  - The most communities we've ever had!
- 12 Bike Rodeo safety education events
  - Reached 1200 students!
  - The most events we've ever hosted!
- 9 SRTS Community Coalitions
- $13,000 invested by local funders to support SRTS work within the region

School and community involvement in SRTS continues to grow. More and more people are realizing the benefits of SRTS, not just for our youth, but for all residents.

As Iowa's only rural, regional SRTS effort, the Northeast Iowa SRTS Program continues to be the forerunner in the social movement to bring SRTS education and encouragement to rural populations. We have proven it is possible to find SRTS success in rural areas and encourage other rural regions to explore SRTS possibilities for their residents.

Keep up the great work, Northeast Iowa!

Ashley Christensen
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Upper Explorerland Regional Planning Commission
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Safe Routes to School Background

Safe Routes to School (SRTS) is a movement which started in Denmark in the 1970s to combat the number of students being fatally injured while walking and bicycling to school (National Center for Safe Routes to School, 2012).

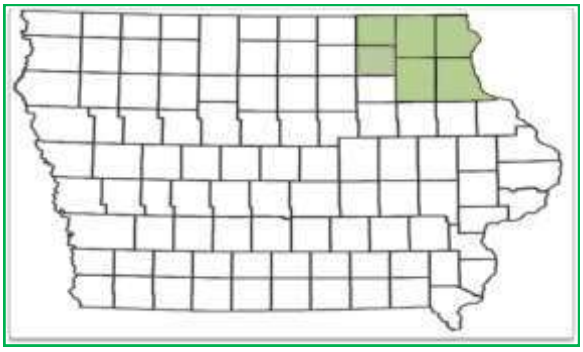
Now an international movement to enable and encourage students to safely walk and bicycle to and from school, SRTS has gained momentum and support in the United States since the late 1990s. SRTS programs are the result of parents, schools, communities and all levels of government joining forces in an effort to improve the health and safety of our children, our future leaders.

Bike Rodeo safety education event during Oelwein Summer School.

SRTS programs focus on the "5Es of SRTS" to improve environments around schools and attitudes about walking and bicycling to school:

1. Education to teach pedestrian and bicycle safety skills
2. Encouragement activities to build interest and enthusiasm
3. Enforcement measures to address safety issues
4. Engineering solutions to maintain traffic control devices and physical infrastructure
5. Evaluation methods to monitor impact and identify areas for improvement

Figure 1. Map Highlighting the Northeast Iowa Food and Fitness Initiative Region



This map of Iowa highlights the region of the state discussed in this report.

Since 2008, the SRTS Travel Tally have been used to track how students are traveling to and from school in Northeast Iowa. The SRTS Travel Tally determines the transportation mode students use to get to and from school: walk, bicycle, skate/scoot, school bus, family vehicle, carpool or public transit. To complete the SRTS Travel Tally, teachers ask their students how they traveled to school that morning and how they plan to travel home from school at the end of the day. This occurs on consecutive days during the spring of each school year.

The information covered in this report highlights SRTS history in Northeast Iowa and the results of the SRTS Travel Tally conducted during the 2014-2015 school year.

National Center for Safe Routes to School. (2012). History of SRTS. Retrieved from http://www.saferoutesinfo.org/about-us/mission-and-history

Safe Routes to School Background continued

The Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program in Northeast Iowa involves collaboration among the communities and schools in six counties (Allamakee, Chickasaw, Clayton, Fayette, Howard and Winneshiek) and the Northeast Iowa Food and Fitness Initiative (FFI). FFI is a W.K. Kellogg Foundation Food and Community Partner (www.wkkf.org) working to improve the health of Northeast Iowa communities through promotion of healthy, locally grown food and active living and play. SRTS is a main focus of FFI because safer routes to school and other community destinations encourage people to be physically active. More information about FFI can be found at www.iowafoodandfitness.org.

Northeast Iowa began focusing on SRTS in 2007 when FFI was formed. During the 2008-2009 school year, FFI and Northeast Iowa Resource Conservation and Development completed a regional SRTS plan, termed *Northeast Iowa Regional Safe Routes to School: Initiative for Healthier Students*, through support from the Iowa Department of Transportation (Iowa DOT). This became Iowa's first regional SRTS plan. The plan can be located at: wwww.northeastiowarcd.org.

During the 2009-2010 school year, FFI piloted individual SRTS programs in six school districts and private schools. FFI focused on developing School Wellness Teams during the 2010-2011 school year, which advocate for healthier, safer school environments in addition to SRTS programming.

A Walking School Bus in Maynard, IA.

During the 2011-2012 school year, Upper Explorerland Regional Planning Commission (UERPC), the council of governments for the region and a core partner of FFI, received a grant through the Iowa DOT to develop a Regional SRTS Liaison position. Ever since, the Regional SRTS Liaison has been managing and championing the Northeast Iowa SRTS Program. With support from school wellness teams, families, other school and community champions and the Regional SRTS Liaison, Northeast Iowa continues to deepen and expand its SRTS education, encouragement and evaluation efforts.

Safe Routes to School Background continued

Northeast Iowa is fortunate to have a rural, regional Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program as well as a full-time manager and champion to oversee these SRTS efforts– the Regional SRTS Coordinator. UERPC continues to oversee the current Northeast Iowa SRTS program. The regional approach to SRTS in this rural area and Northeast Iowa's Regional SRTS Coordinator are the only one of their kind in Iowa and likely even the country.

Spanning an area geographically equivalent to the state of Connecticut, Northeast Iowa is home to more than 20 school districts and private schools. From single K-12 buildings in one town to multiple school buildings in multiple towns to single K-12 buildings isolated in the countryside miles from the nearest town, school profiles in this rural region are nothing short of unique. And neither is Northeast Iowa's approach to turning the challenges of a rural setting into opportunities to advance rural SRTS work to benefit the 10,000 K-8 students the SRTS program serves.

Community coalitions and strategic partnerships continue to push Northeast Iowa's efforts forward. Through Safety Education, Walking School Buses, Mileage Clubs and more, the SRTS movement in Northeast Iowa is increasing student activity levels and raising community awareness of active school travel. Northeast Iowa is proving that rural regions do in fact have the capacity to build a healthier, safer and more active tomorrow.

Bike Rodeo at Central CSD during school.

2014-2015 Regional Travel Tally Results

Historical Comparisons

Figure 2 is a list of the school districts which participated in the Northeast Iowa Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Travel Tally this year and in years past.

Figure 2. School Districts Participating in the Northeast Iowa Safe Routes to School Travel Tally 2008-2015								
Community School District (CSD)	County	'08-'09	'09-'10	'10-'11	'11-'12	'12-'13	'13-'14	'14-'15
Public Schools								
Allamakee CSD*	Allamakee	X	X			X	X	X
Central CSD*	Clayton	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Clayton Ridge CSD	Clayton	X				X		
Decorah CSD*	Winneshiek	X		X	X	X	X	X
Eastern Allamakee CSD	Allamakee	X						
Howard-Winneshiek CSD	Howard	X		X	X	X		
MFL MarMac CSD	Clayton	X			X	X		
New Hampton CSD	Chickasaw		X	X	X	X		X
North Fayette Valley CSD*- North Fayette	Fayette	X		X	X	X	X	X
North Fayette Valley CSD*- Valley	Fayette	X	X	X	X	X	X	
North Winneshiek CSD	Winneshiek			X		X		
Oelwein CSD*	Fayette	X			X	X	X	X
Postville CSD*	Allamakee				X	X	X	X
Riceville CSD*	Howard	X		X	X	X	X	
South Winneshiek CSD*	Winneshiek	X	X		X	X	X	X
Starmont CSD	Fayette			X		X		
Turkey Valley CSD	Winneshiek					X		
West Central CSD	Fayette			X	X	X		
Non-public Schools								
CFS Catholic School	Winneshiek	X						
De Sales School	Winneshiek	X	X					
Notre Dame Catholic School	Howard	X						
Sacred Heart Elementary School	Fayette	X						
St. Benedict School	Winneshiek							
St. Joseph Community School*	Chickasaw			X	X	X	X	X
St. Mary's Catholic School	Clayton	X						
St. Patrick School	Allamakee	X						
Torah Educational Program (Yeshiva)	Allamakee	X						

Figure 2. This table represents public and non-public schools which have participated in the Northeast Iowa Safe Routes to School Travel Tally between 2008-2015.

2014-2015 participating schools are denoted by (*).

Historical Comparisons continued

Figures 3 and 4 compare the 2014-2015 SRTS Travel Tally results with those from previous years.

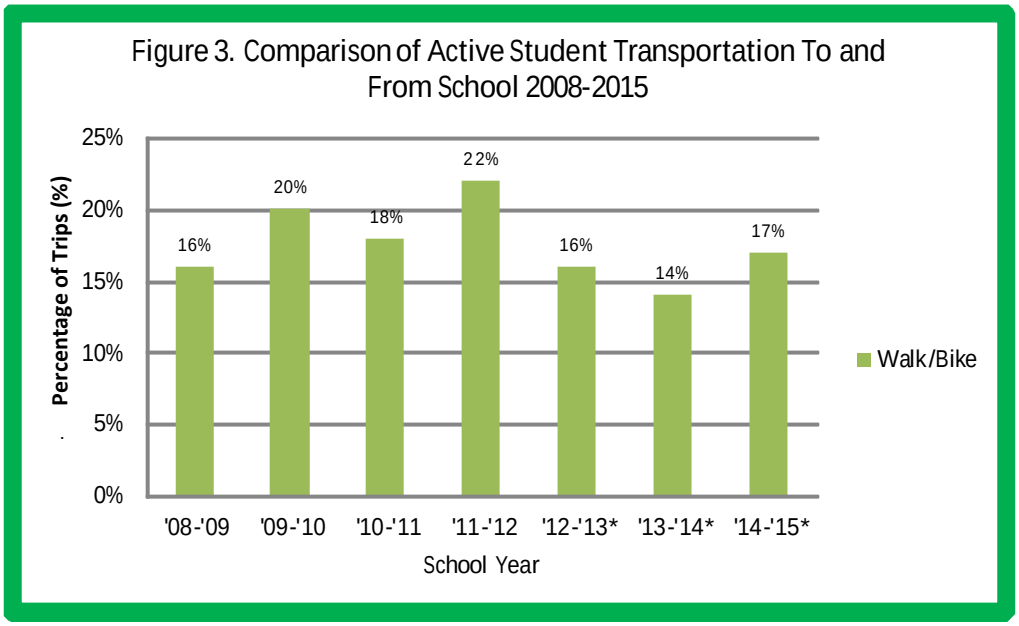


Figure 3. Northeast Iowa's student walking and bicycling results compared from 2008-2009 to present.

*= Note that the 2012-2013, 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 "Walk/Bike" percentages take into account all modes of active transportation (walking, bicycling, skating and scooting).

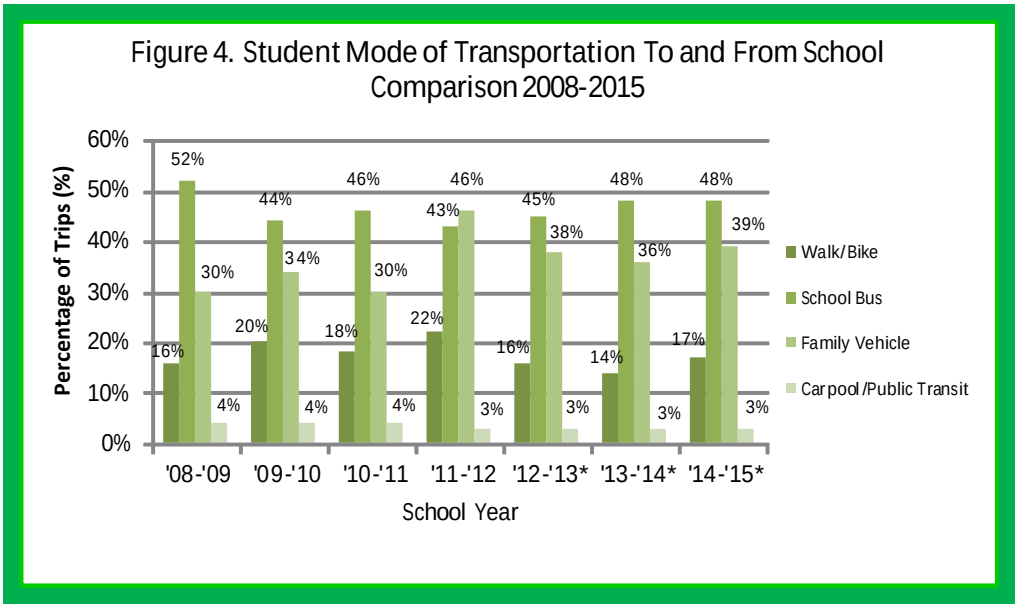


Figure 4. Northeast Iowa's comparison of student walking and bicycling trips to student motor vehicle trips from 2008 to present.

*= Note that the 2012-2013, 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 "Walk/Bike" percentages take into account all modes of active transportation (walking, bicycling, skating and scooting).

CSD= Community School District

[1] **2008-2009 participating schools EXCLUDED from comparison data due to isolated school profile:** Valley CSD (Valley Community School).

[2] **2009-2010 participating schools EXCLUDED from comparison data due to isolated school profile:** Valley CSD (Valley Community School).

[3] **2010-2011 participating schools EXCLUDED from comparison data due to isolated school profile:** North Winneshiek CSD (North Winneshiek Community School), Starmont CSD (Starmont Community School) and Valley CSD (Valley Community School).

[4] **2011-2012 participating schools EXCLUDED from comparison due to isolated school profile or age of students:** Oelwein CSD (Little Husky Learning Center– Pre-K through K) and Valley CSD (Valley Community School– isolated).

[5] **2012-2013 participating schools EXCLUDED from comparison due to isolated school profile or age of students:** Oelwein CSD (Little Husky Learning Center– Pre-K through K), North Winneshiek CSD (North Winneshiek Elementary School– isolated), Starmont CSD (Starmont Elementary School– isolated), Valley CSD (Valley Community School– isolated), and Turkey Valley CSD (Turkey Valley Elementary School– isolated).

[6] **2013-2014 participating schools EXCLUDED from comparison due to isolated school profile or age of students:** Oelwein CSD (Little Husky Learning Center– Pre-K through K) and Valley CSD (Valley Community School– isolated)

[7] **2014-2015 participating schools EXCLUDED from comparison due to isolated school profile or age of students:** Oelwein CSD (Little Husky Learning Center– Pre-K through K)

2014–2015 Information

Data comparison specific to the 2014-2015 Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Travel Tally is presented in this section. Figure 5 summarizes the percentage of trips per travel mode for all schools: walk, bike, skate/scoot, school bus, family vehicle, carpool and public transit.

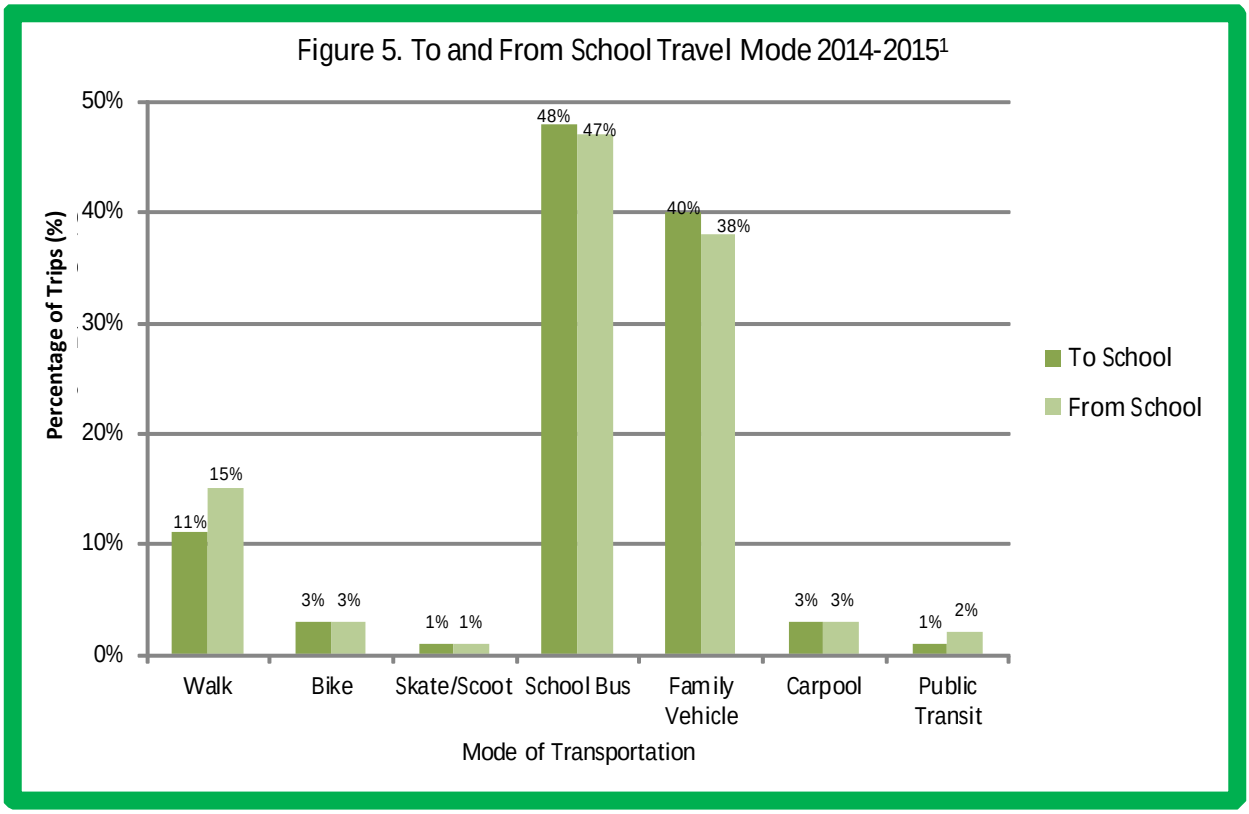


Figure 5. This graph denotes the percentage of trips per mode of transportation for all schools for the 2014-2015 school year.

Walking School Bus in Cresco, IA.

[1] **2014-2015 participating schools EXCLUDED from comparison due to isolated school profile or age of students:** Oelwein CSD (Little Husky Learning Center– Pre-K through K)

CSD= Community School District

2014–2015 Information continued

Figure 6 lists all the participating schools from 2014-2015 along with their percentage of trips for active travel, school bus, family vehicle and carpool/transit.

Figure 6. 2014-2015 Comparison of Travel Mode for Participating Schools

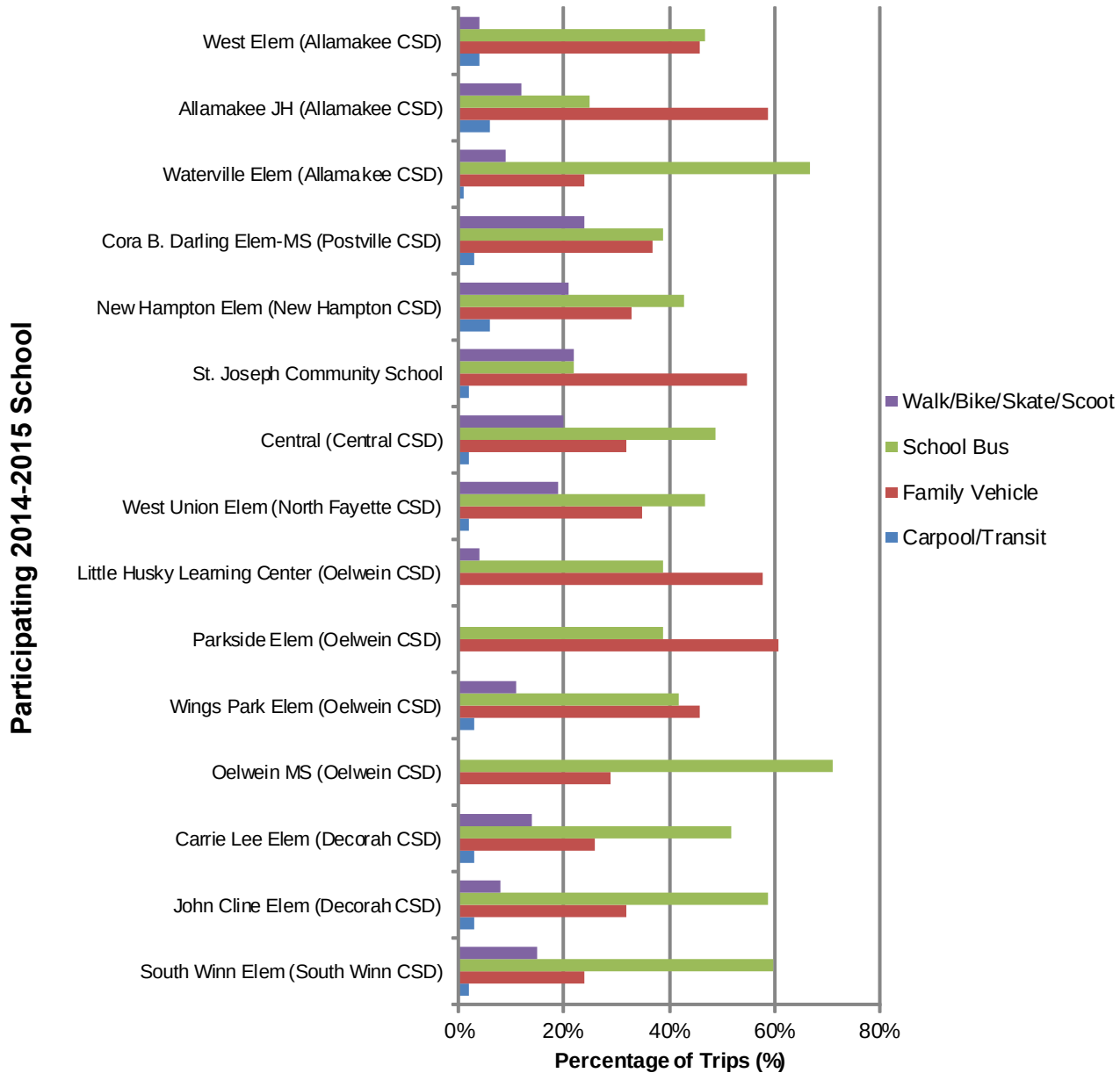


Figure 6. This bar graph compares the percentage of trips students took via active transport (walk, bike, skate and scoot), school bus and family vehicle, and carpool/public transit for each school participating in the 2014-2015 SRTS Travel Tally.

Northeast Iowa Focus Schools

Several schools have been selected as Safe Routes to School (SRTS) “Focus Schools” based on their level of SRTS engagement and availability of walking/biking routes leading to the school. The reason behind pulling out Travel Tally results of these schools for further analysis is to give a more realistic description of student travel in Northeast Iowa.

We are realizing the Travel Tally results are not always a true representation of student travel, especially active travel. Reasons for this can include, but are not limited to: inconsistent participation from schools, inconsistent participation from classroom teachers, school location, large number of rural families, poor weather, the list goes on.

By focusing on a small, consistent group of schools that are more representative of SRTS work in the region, we hope to have Travel Tally results that will better describe our impact and more effectively inform our work as we continue to build SRTS efforts in Northeast Iowa.

Focus Schools:

- Allamakee Community School District (CSD)– East Elementary
- Allamakee CSD– West Elementary
- Allamakee CSD– Junior High
- Central CSD– Elkader Elementary
- Decorah CSD– Carrie Lee Elementary
- Decorah CSD– John Cline Elementary
- Decorah CSD– Middle School
- North Fayette Valley CSD– West Union Elementary
- Oelwein CSD– Wings Park Elementary
- Postville CSD– Cora B. Darling Elementary/Middle School
- St. Joseph Community School

Bike Rodeo in Decorah, IA.

Northeast Iowa Focus Schools continued

Figures 7, 8 and 9 show active travel comparison results of the Northeast Iowa SRTS Focus Schools 2012-present.

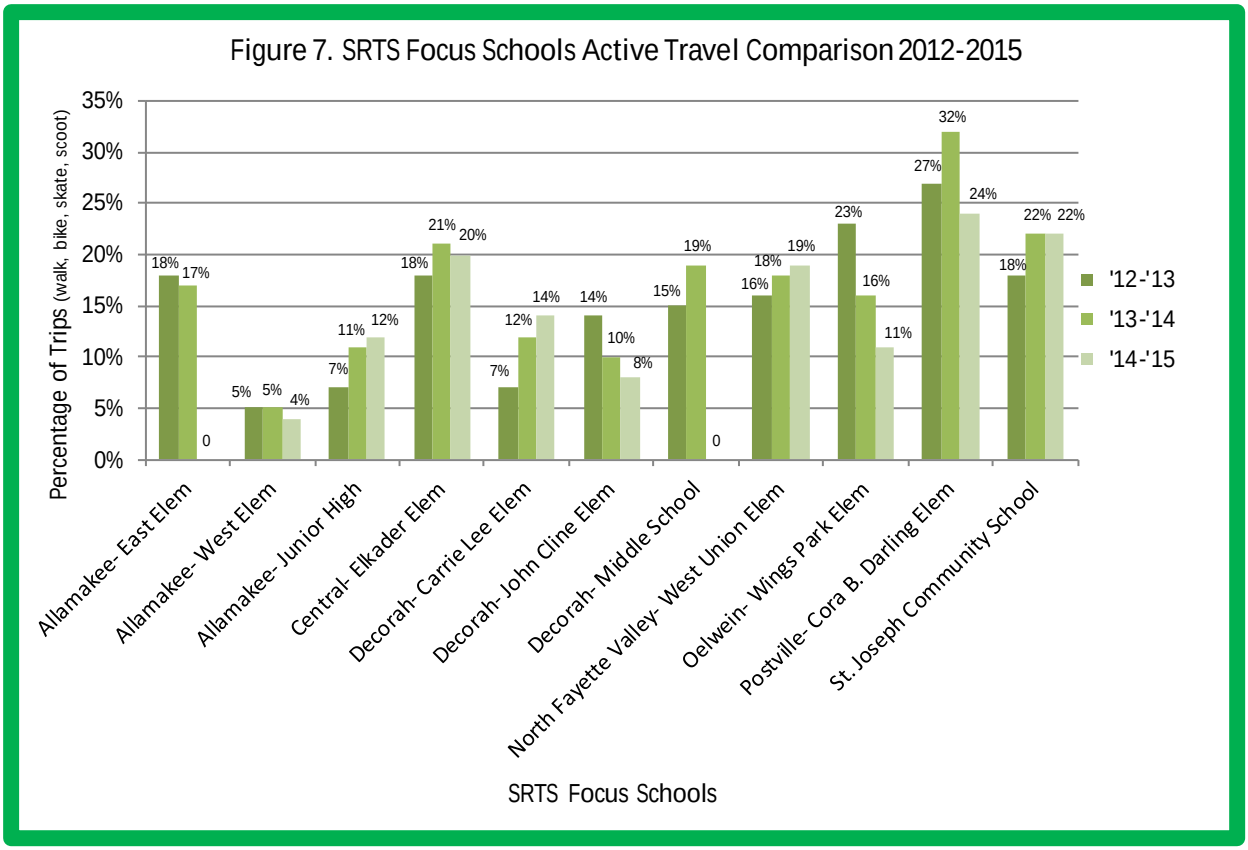


Figure 7. Compares active travel percentages (walk, bike, skate, scoot) of SRTS Focal Schools 2012-present.

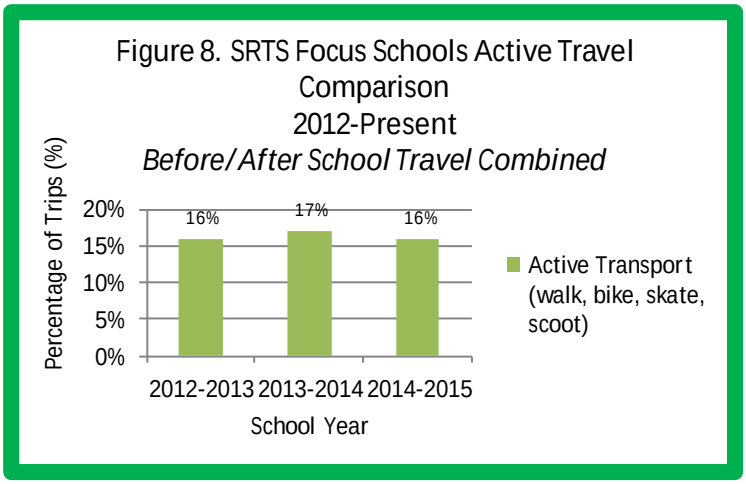


Figure 8. Compares the combined before/after school active transport percentage of the SRTS Focal Schools 2012-present.

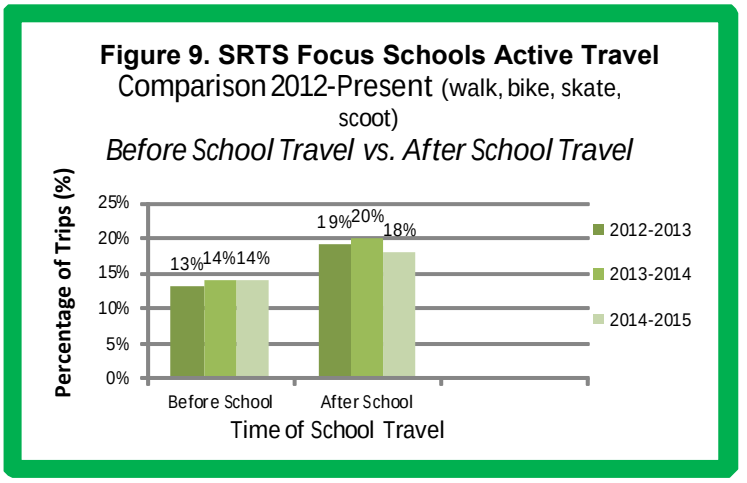


Figure 9. Compares the before school vs. after school active transport percentage of the SRTS Focal Schools 2012-present.

Northeast Iowa Focus School continued

Figure 10 compares the active school travel of focus schools to that of all participating schools from 2012 to present.

Figure 10. Comparison of Active Student Transportation To and From School 2008-2015
Focus Schools vs. All Schools

Walking School Bus in West Union, IA.

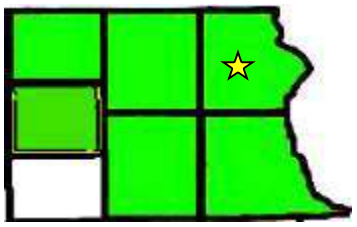
2014-2015 Individual School Travel Tally Results

Allamakee County
Allamakee CSD

Allamakee Community School District — *Allamakee County*

West Elementary School — *Grades PK-2*
Waukon, Iowa

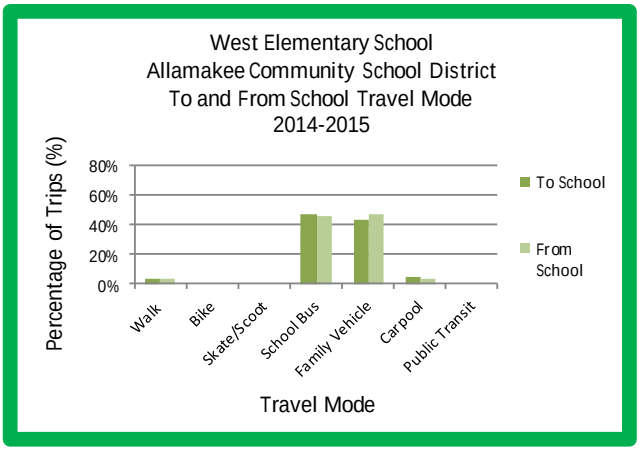
Total District Enrollment: 1184 (Iowa Department of Education, 2015a)
K-8 Enrollment: 734
West Elementary Enrollment: 223
School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Multiple Towns

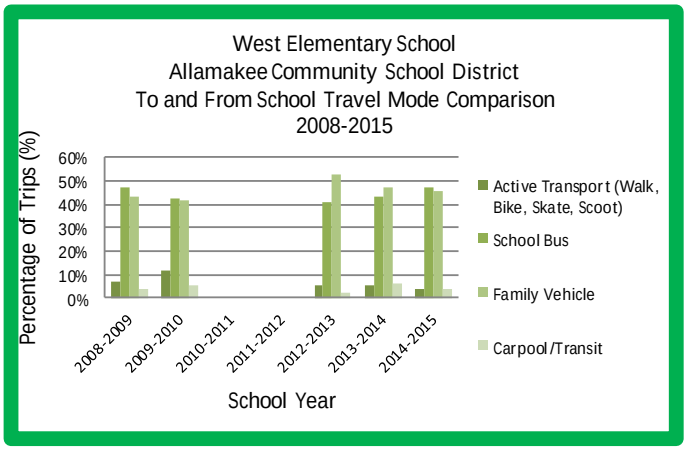


District Safe Routes to School and Active Living Activities:

- Walking School Bus in Waukon (1x weekly for 6 weeks in fall and spring)
- Walking School Bus Pilot in Waterville
- Fitness Drills
- All-school walk around track
- Live Healthy Iowa
- Go the Distance Day
- Field Day
- Early outs to play games
- Fitness afternoons with high school FFI 4-H Youth Team members
- 3rd grade bike licensing program
- After school ping-pong, dance and recess
- Going for Healthier US School Challenge Gold Level
- Summer school utilizes foot counter to measure distance walked (Waterville)
- Mileage Club (Waterville)
- Bike Rodeo for after-school programs in Waukon and Waterville
- SRTS Community Coalition

Walking School Bus in Waukon, IA.





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Allamakee Community School District — *Allamakee County*

Allamakee Junior High School — *Grades 7-8*

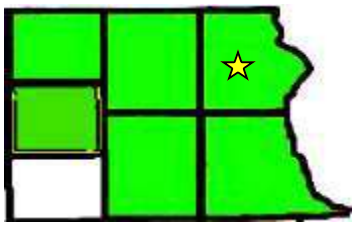
Waukon, Iowa

Total District Enrollment: 1184 (Iowa Department of Education, 2015a)

K-8 Enrollment: 734

Allamakee Junior High Enrollment: 165

School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Multiple Towns



District Safe Routes to School and Active Living Activities:

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- Live Healthy Iowa
- Go the Distance Day
- Field Day
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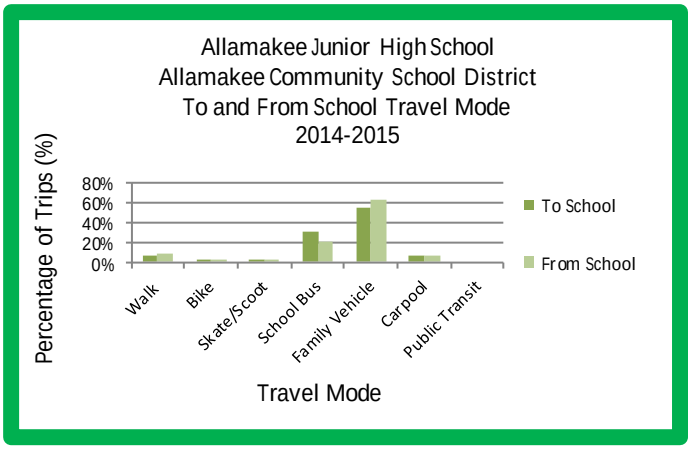
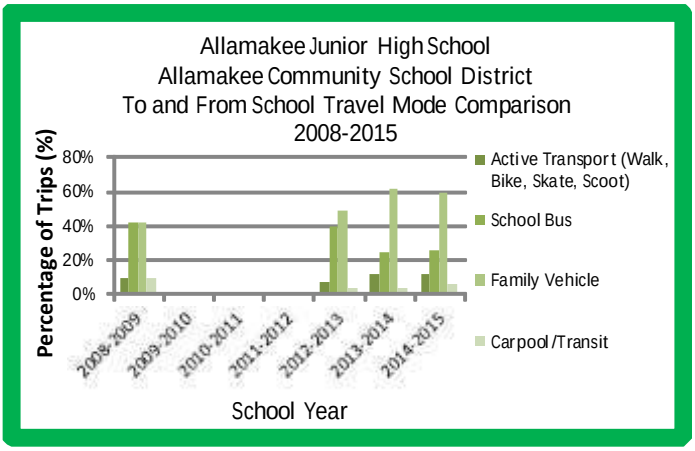
Bike Rodeo during after-school program in Waukon, IA.





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Allamakee Community School District — *Allamakee County*

Waterville Elementary School — *Grades 7-8*

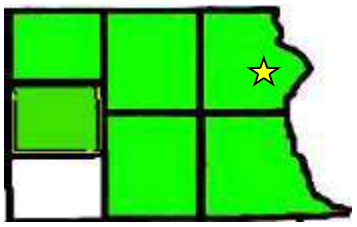
Waterville, Iowa

Total District Enrollment: 1184 (Iowa Department of Education, 2015a)

K-8 Enrollment: 734

Waterville Elementary Enrollment: 94

School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Multiple Towns



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- Going for Healthier US School Challenge Gold Level

Bike Rodeo during after-school program in Waterville, IA.

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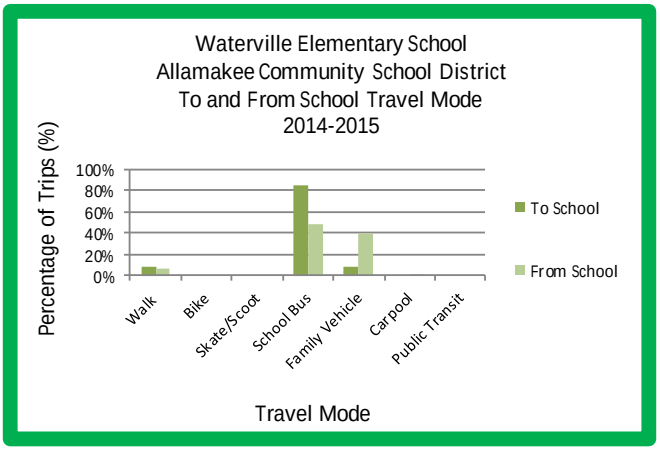

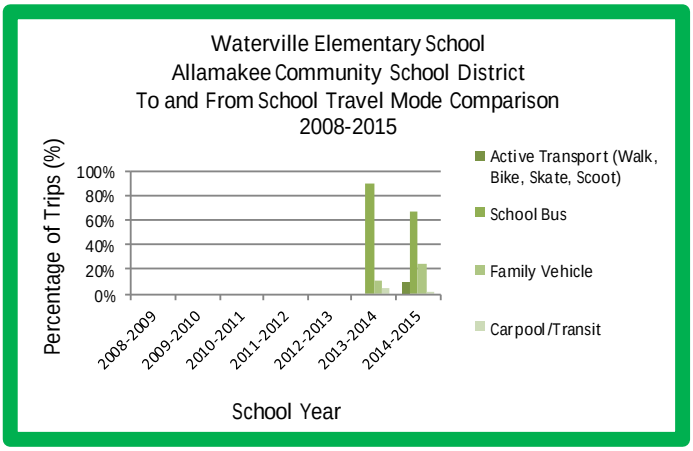

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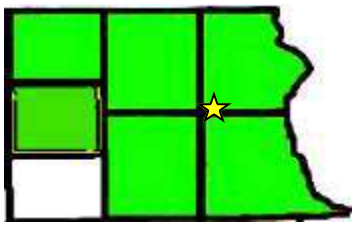
Allamakee County
Postville CSD

Postville Community School District

Allamakee County

Cora B. Darling Elementary and Middle School *Grades K-8*
Postville, Iowa

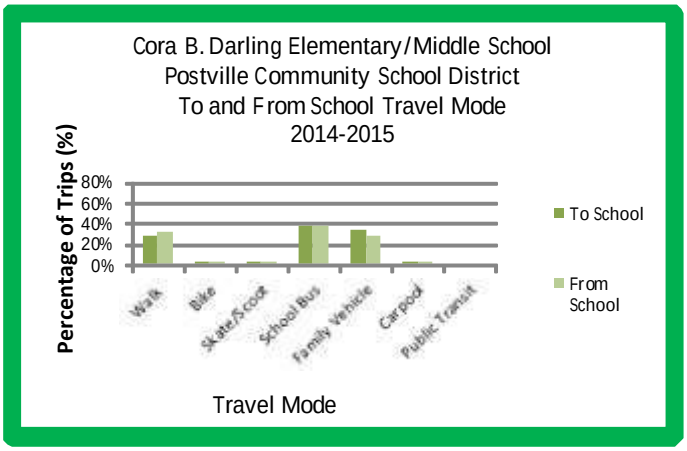
Total District Enrollment: 656 (Iowa Department of Education, 2015a)
K-8 Enrollment: 387
Cora B. Darling Elementary School Enrollment: 387
School Profile: Single K-12 Building in Single Town

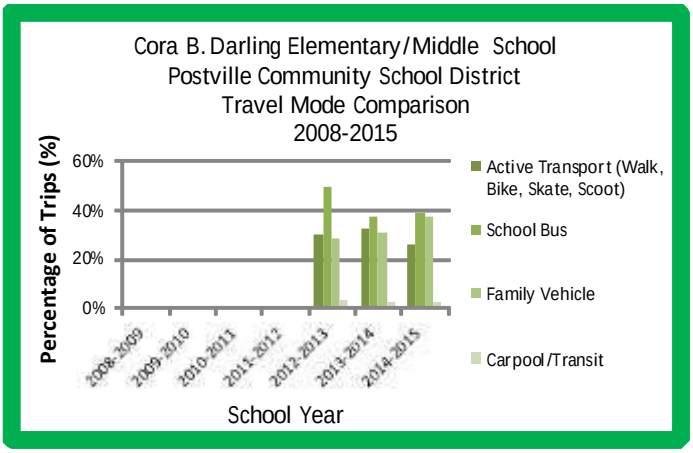


District Safe Routes to School and Active Living Activities:

- After-school Mileage Club
- Walking School Bus Pilot
- International Walk to School Day
- Park-It– a community event to promote activities among youth and families
- Spring Fling Wellness Fair
- Bike Rodeo during Spring Fling
- Brain breaks in classrooms
- Recess during after-school program
- Recess during summer school program
- Awarded Healthier US School Challenge Bronze Level
- SRTS Community Coalition

International Walk to School Day 2014 in Postville, IA.





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Chickasaw County
New Hampton CSD

New Hampton Elementary School

Chickasaw County

New Hampton Elementary School *Grades K-4*

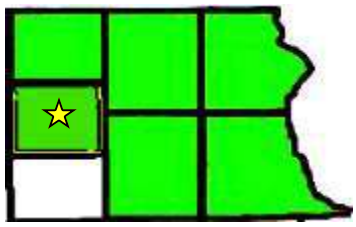
New Hampton, Iowa

Total District Enrollment: 972 (Iowa Department of Education, 2015a)

K-8 Enrollment: 630

New Hampton Elementary School Enrollment: 464

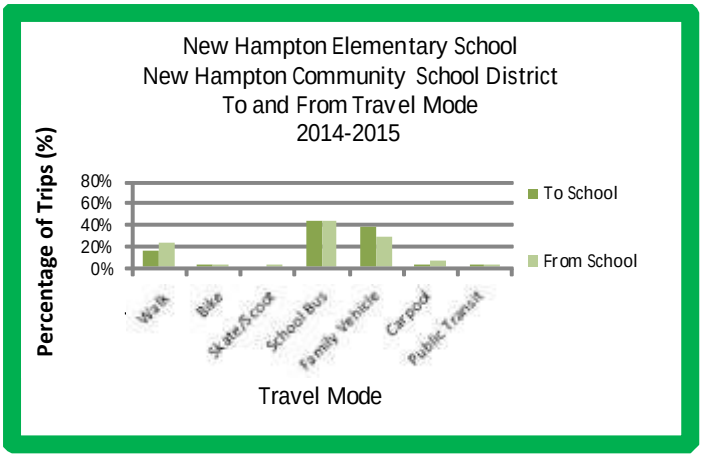
School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Single Town

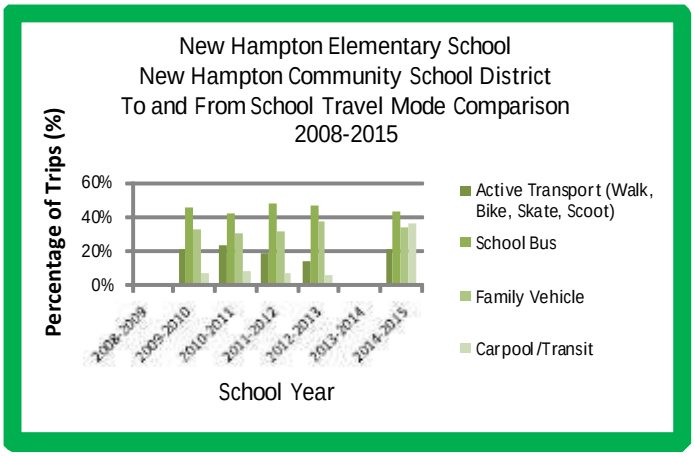


District Safe Routes to School and Active Living Activities:

- 2014-2015 I-WALK participant
- Walking School Bus (2x weekly in spring)
- SRTS Community Coalition
- Efforts building!

Walking School Bus in New Hampton, IA.





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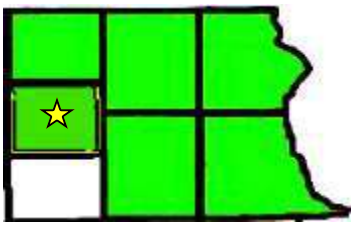
St. Joseph Community School

Chickasaw County

St. Joseph Community School
New Hampton, Iowa

Grades PK-8

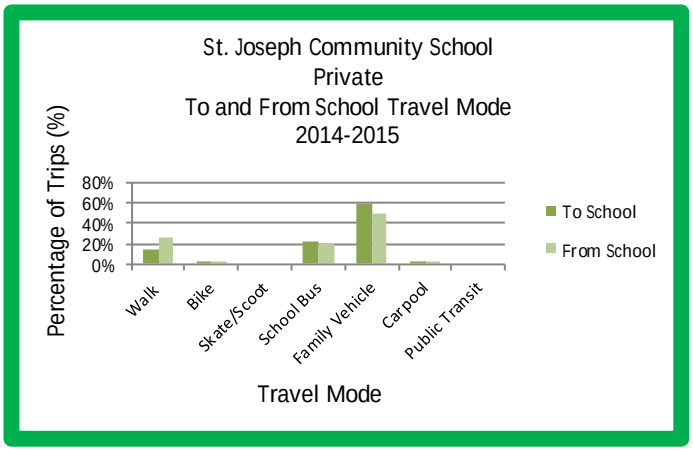


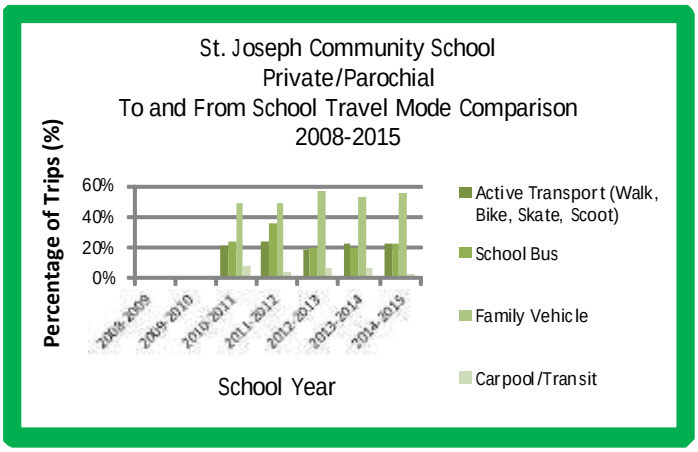
Total District Enrollment: 1691 (Iowa Department of Education, 2015b)
K-8 Enrollment: 137
School Profile: Non-public PK-8 School

Safe Routes to School and Active Living Activities:

- 2014-2015 I-WALK participant
- Walking School Bus (2x weekly in spring)
- SRTS Community Coalition
- FFI 4-H Youth Team Mileage Club
- FFI 4-H Youth Team monthly whole-school fitness activity
- FFI 4-H Youth Team monthly after-school fitness activity
- Weekly classroom walks
- International Walk to School Day
- Live Healthy Iowa
- Go the Distance Day
- Awarded the Healthier US School Challenge– Bronze Level

Walking School Bus in New Hampton, IA.





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Clayton County
Central CSD

Central Community School District

Clayton County

Central Elementary School — *Grades PK-5*

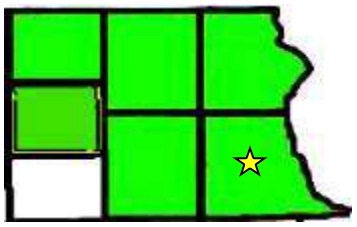
Elkader, Iowa

Total District Enrollment: 480 (Iowa Department of Education, 2015a)

K-8 Enrollment: 311

Elkader Elementary Enrollment: 244

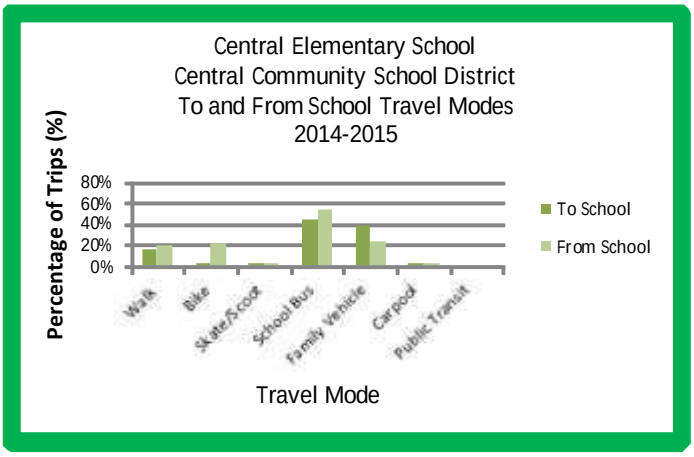
School Profile: Single K-12 Building in Single Town

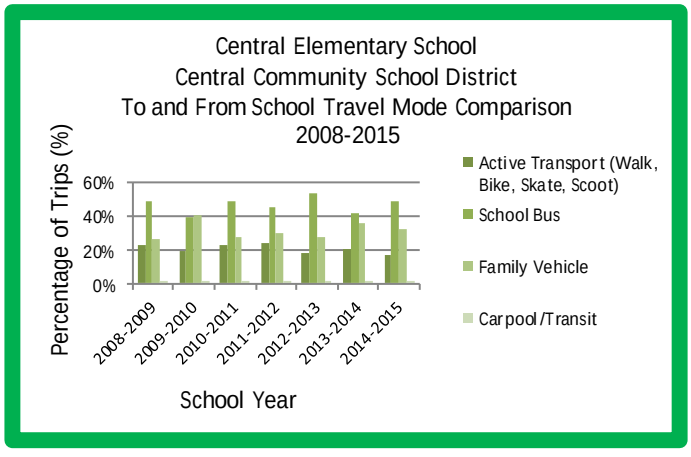


District Safe Routes to School and Active Living Activities:

- 2014-2015 I-WALK participant
- Bike Safety in PE
- Bikes available at recess time
- Warrior Games hosted by the FFI 4-H Youth Team
- International Walk to School Day
- Awarded US Healthier School Challenge Bronze Level
- Bike Rodeo
- Walking School Bus (2x weekly in spring)
- National Bike to School Day
- Mileage Club
- Fuel up to Play 60 grant trip to visit Kinnick Stadium in Iowa City
- SRTS Community Coalition

A Walking School Bus in Elkader, IA.





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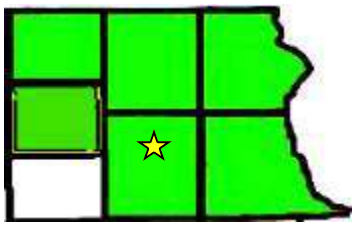
Fayette County
North Fayette Valley CSD

North Fayette Valley Community School District *Fayette County*

West Union Elementary School *Grades PK-4*
West Union, Iowa

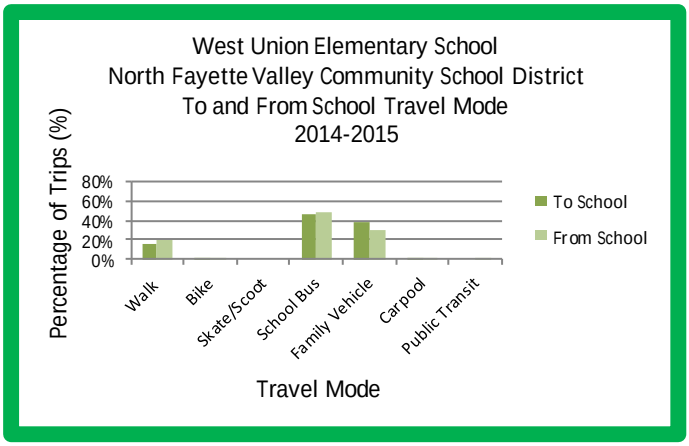
Total District Enrollment: 1230 (Iowa Department of Education, 2015a)
K-8 Enrollment: 773
West Union Elementary Enrollment: 356
School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Multiple Towns

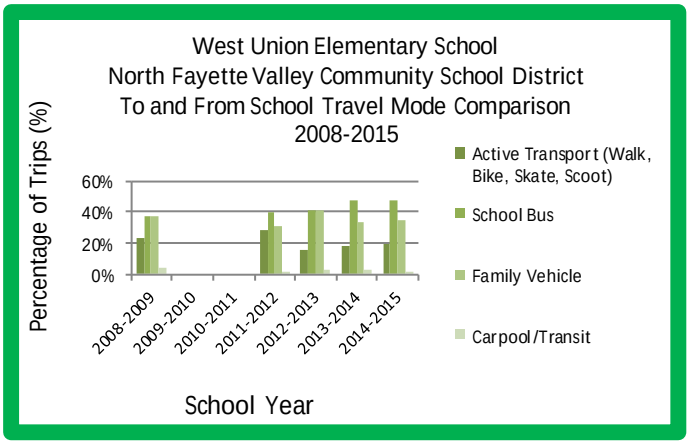


District Safe Routes to School and Active Living Activities:

- Fall and Spring Walking School Buses in Clermont (1x weekly, AM and PM, walk and bike), Elgin (1x weekly, AM and PM, walk and bike) and West Union (2x weekly, AM)
- Bike Rodeo
- SRTS Community Coalition
- Mileage Club
- International Walk to School Day
- Turkey River Recreational Corridor Trail connects to Valley school
- Morning dance time with principal at Valley

Walking School Bus in West Union, IA.





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Fayette County
Oelwein CSD

Oelwein Community School District

Fayette County

Little Husky Learning Center *Grades PK-K*

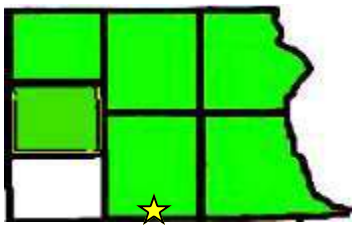
Oelwein, Iowa

Total District Enrollment: 1330 (Iowa Department of Education, 2015a)

K-8 Enrollment: 824

Little Husky Learning Center Enrollment: 185

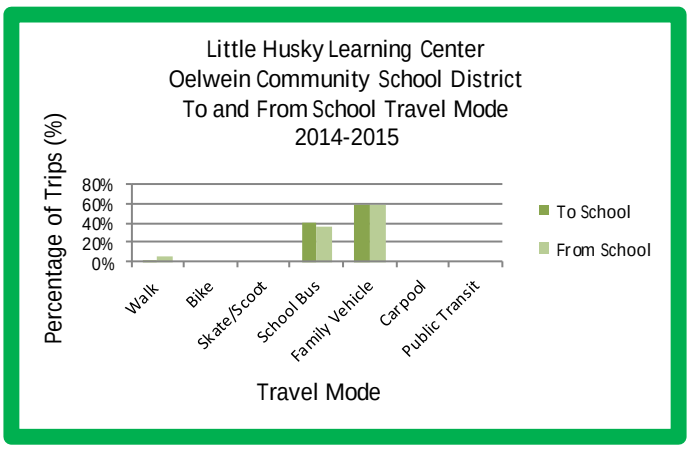
School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Single Town

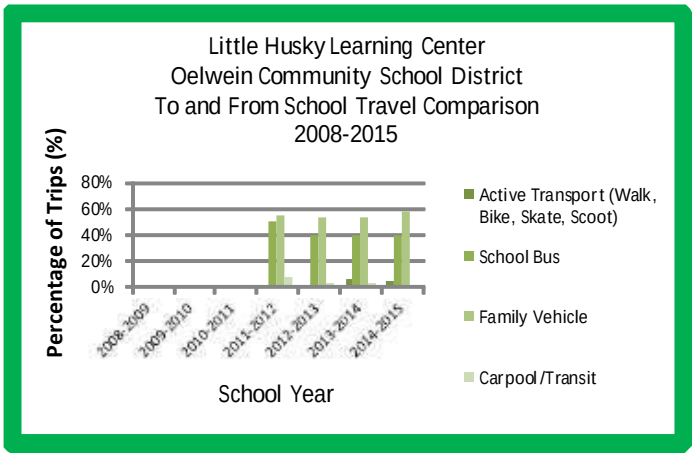


District Safe Routes to School and Active Living Activities:

- Walking School Bus (2x monthly)
- Bike Rodeo held during Summer School
- International Walk to School Day
- Walking Story Books
- Track and Field Day
- Swimming lessons in summer school
- Brain breaks
- Spring Safety Fair
- Geocaching and archery after-school camps
- Staff wellness challenge
- Kayaking and cross-country after-school programming
- SRTS Community Coalition

Walking School Bus in Oelwein, IA.





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Oelwein Community School District — Fayette County

Parkside Elementary School — *Grades 1*

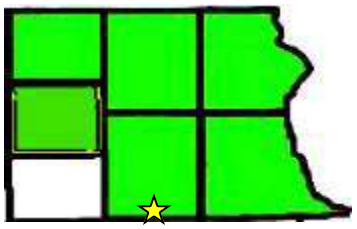
Oelwein, Iowa

Total District Enrollment: 1330 (Iowa Department of Education, 2015a)

K-8 Enrollment: 824

Parkside Elementary School Enrollment: 87

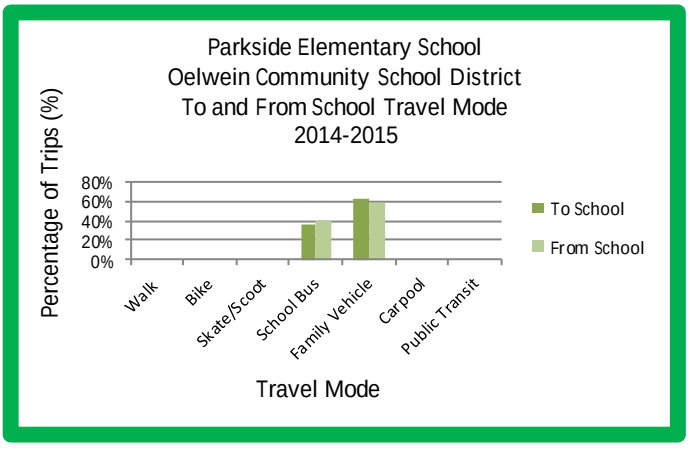
School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Single Town

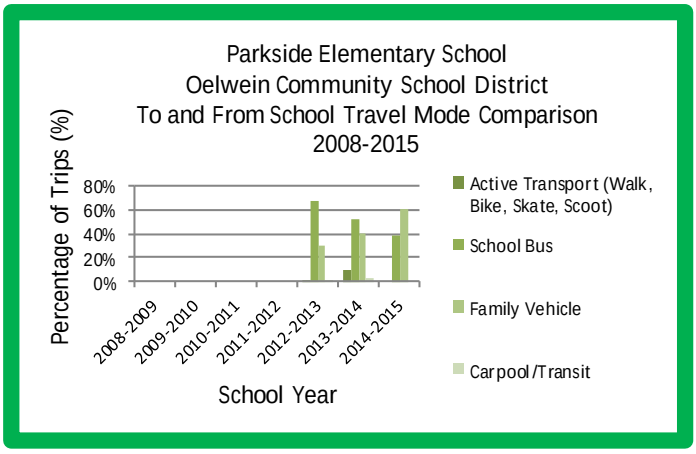


District Safe Routes to School and Active Living Activities:

- Walking School Bus (2x monthly)
- Bike Rodeo held during Summer School
- International Walk to School Day
- Walking Story Books
- Track and Field Day
- Swimming lessons in Summer School
- Brain breaks
- Spring Safety Fair
- Geocaching and archery after-school camps
- Staff wellness challenge
- Kayaking and cross-country after-school programming
- SRTS Community Coalition

Bike Rodeo during Summer School in Oelwein, IA.





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Oelwein Community School District — *Fayette County*

Wings Park Elementary School — *Grades 2-5*

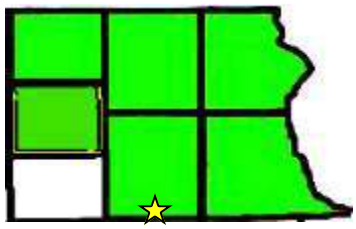
Oelwein, Iowa

Total District Enrollment: 1330 (Iowa Department of Education, 2015a)

K-8 Enrollment: 824

Wings Park Elementary School Enrollment: 366

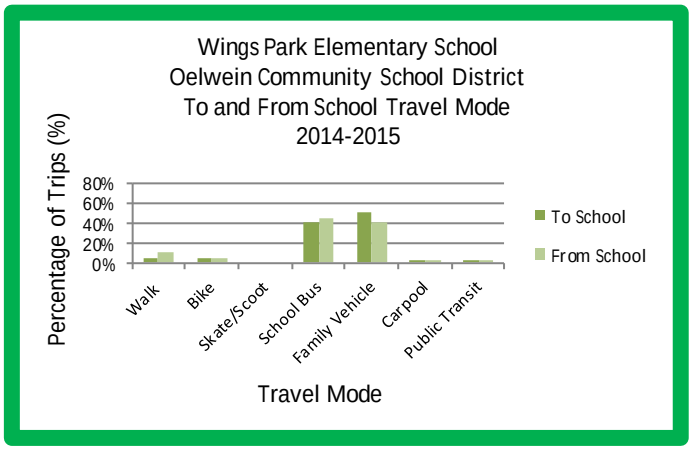
School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Single Town

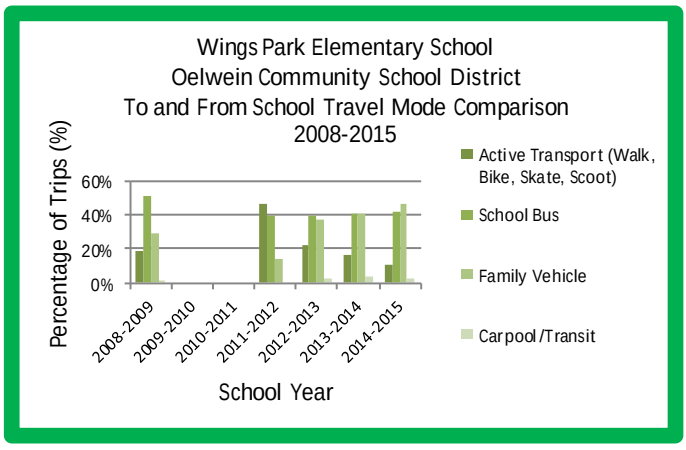


District Safe Routes to School and Active Living Activities:

- Walking School Bus (2x monthly)
- Bike Rodeo held during Summer School
- International Walk to School Day
- Walking Story Books
- Track and Field Day
- Swimming lessons in summer school
- Brain breaks
- Spring Safety Fair
- Geocaching and archery after-school camps
- Staff wellness challenge
- Kayaking and cross-country after-school programming
- SRTS Community Coalition

Walking School Bus in Oelwein, IA.





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Oelwein Community School District — Fayette County

Oelwein Middle School — *Grades 6-8*

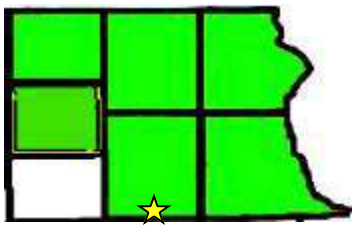
Oelwein, Iowa

Total District Enrollment: 1330 (Iowa Department of Education, 2015a)

K-8 Enrollment: 824

Oelwein Middle School Enrollment: 276

School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Single Town



District Safe Routes to School and Active Living Activities:

- Walking School Bus (2x monthly)
- Bike Rodeo held during Summer School
- International Walk to School Day
- Walking Story Books
- Track and Field Day
- Swimming lessons in summer school
- Brain breaks
- Spring Safety Fair
- Geocaching and archery after-school camps
- Staff wellness challenge
- Kayaking and cross-country after-school programming
- SRTS Community Coalition
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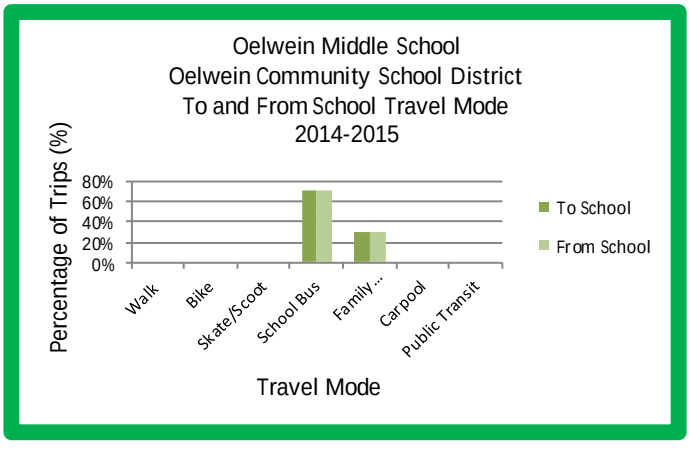
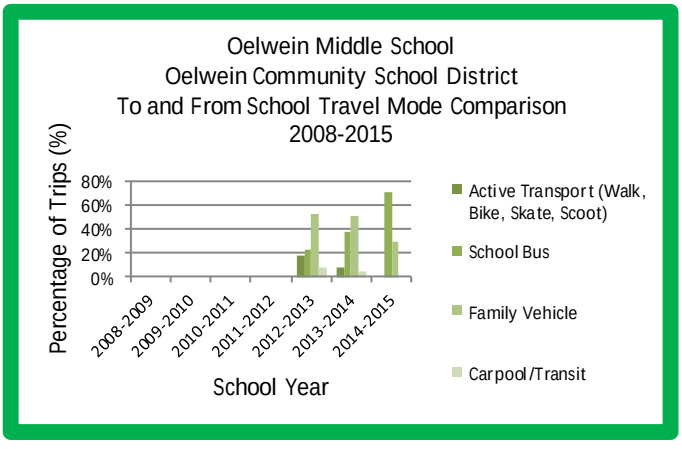
- Continue to build SRTS Coalition

Bike Rodeo during Summer School in Oelwein, IA.





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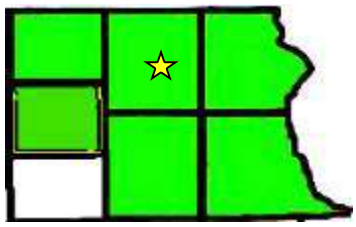
Winneshiek County
Decorah CSD

Decorah Community School District

Winneshiek County

Carrie Lee Elementary School
Decorah, Iowa

Grades 3-4

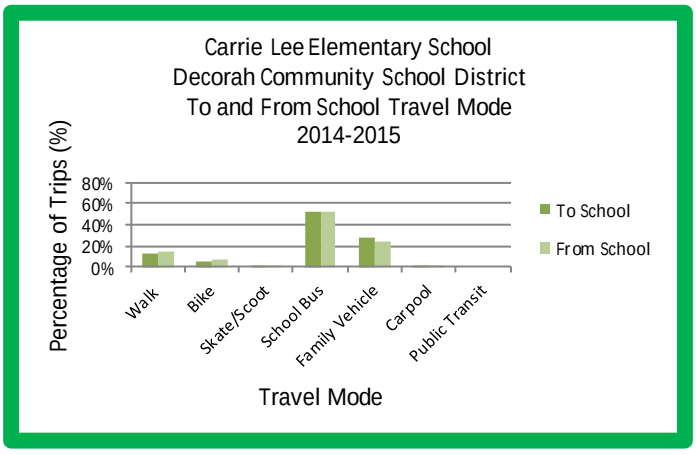


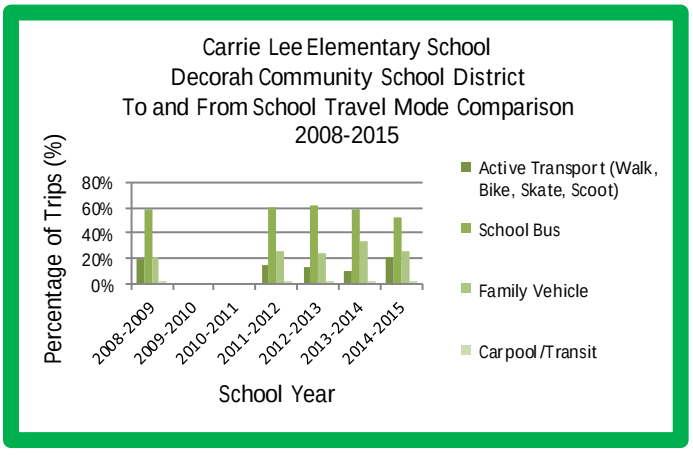
Total District Enrollment: 1687 (Iowa Department of Education, 2015a)
K-8 Enrollment: 1038
Carrie Lee Elementary School Enrollment: 224
School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Single Town

District Safe Routes to School and Active Living Activities:

- Walking School Bus (daily)
- Mileage Club at Carrie Lee Elementary School
- International Walk to School Day in fall
- Walked to celebrate National Bike to School Day
- 4th grade activity monitors
- Bike Rodeo
- Walk/Bike to School Day in spring
- Spring into Wellness Challenge
- Exercise balls in first grade classroom
- Wellness Wednesdays in November
- Mini-course Day with active living lessons

Bike Rodeo during school in Decorah, IA.





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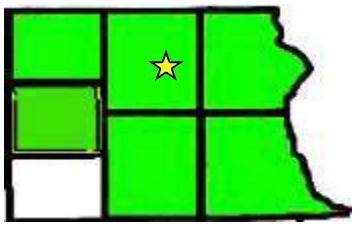
Decorah Community School District — *Winneshiek County*

John Cline Elementary School
Decorah, Iowa

Grades PK-2

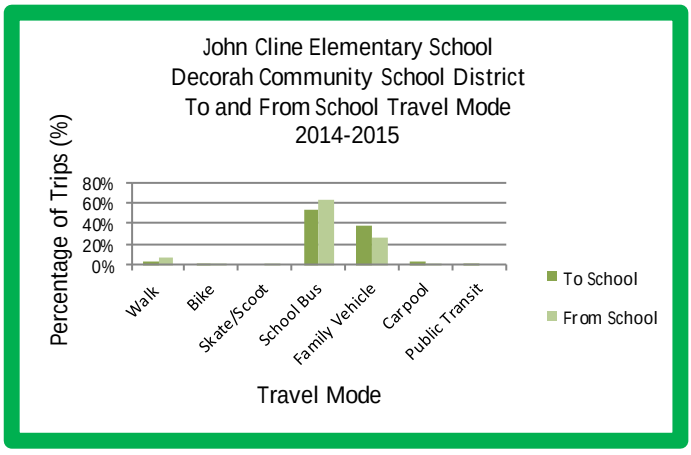


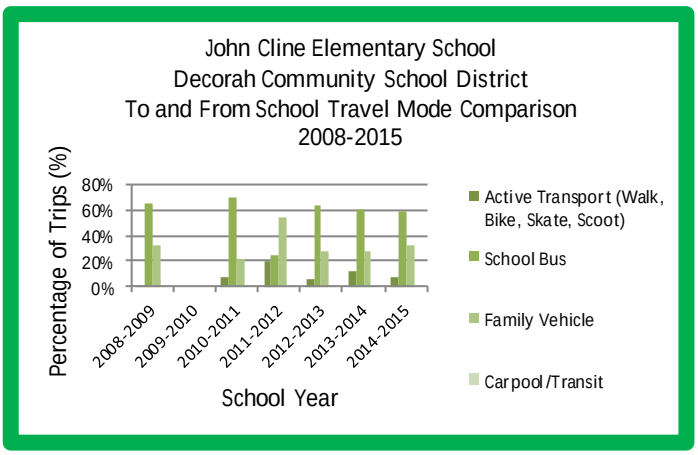
Total District Enrollment: 1687 (Iowa Department of Education, 2015a)
K-8 Enrollment: 1038
John Cline Elementary Enrollment: 334
School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Single Town

District Safe Routes to School and Active Living Activities:

- Walking School Bus (daily)
- Mileage Club at Carrie Lee Elementary School
- International Walk to School Day in fall
- Walked to celebrate National Bike to School Day
- 4th grade activity monitors
- Bike Rodeo
- Walk/Bike to School Day in spring
- Spring into Wellness Challenge
- Exercise balls in first grade classroom
- Wellness Wednesdays in November
- Mini-course Day with active living lessons

Walking School Bus in Decorah, IA.





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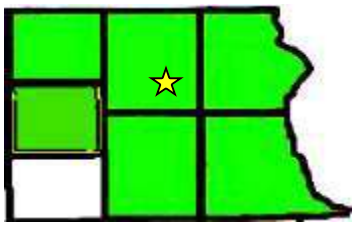
Winneshiek County
South Winneshiek CSD

South Winneshiek Community School District *Winneshiek County*

South Winneshiek Elementary School *Grades PK-5*
Ossian, Iowa

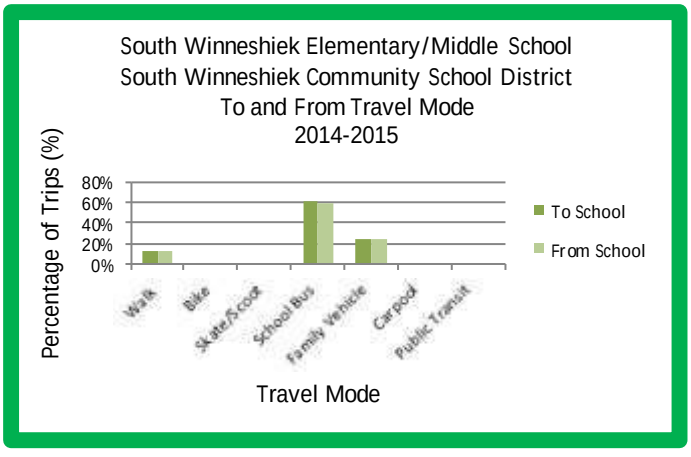
Total District Enrollment: 569 (Iowa Department of Education, 2015a)
K-8 Enrollment: 270
South Winneshiek Elementary Enrollment: 188
School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Multiple Towns

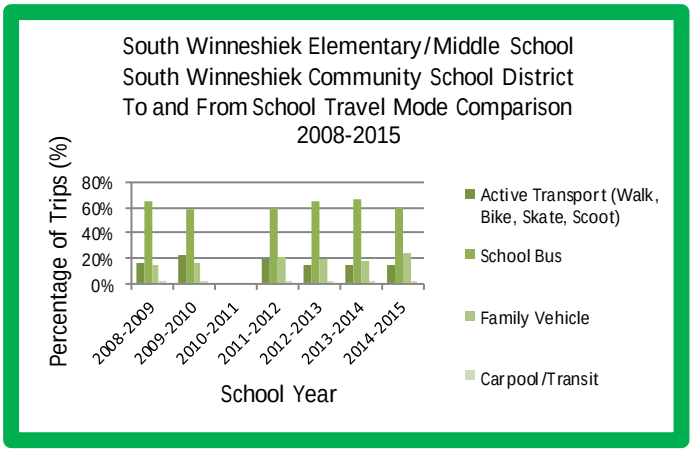


District Safe Routes to School and Active Living Activities:

- Mileage Club
- International Walk to School Day
- Bike Rodeo

Bike Rodeo during school in Ossian, IA.





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