Northeast Iowa

Safe Routes to School

2013-2014 Annual Report

A look into how students travel to and from school in Allamakee, Clayton, Chickasaw, Fayette, Howard and Winneshiek counties in Northeast Iowa

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The cover photo is of a Walking School Bus in West Union, IA in March 2014.

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A Year In Review

Dear Readers,

Greetings from your Regional Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Liaison! 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 2013-20014 school year was our busiest year yet for SRTS. We added six new Walking School Bus routes in four new communities. In total, 19 Walking School Buses in nine communities walked to school, reaching over 275 students and 50 volunteers. What a huge jump from four years ago when it was just a few families walking one route in Decorah! For those who are unfamiliar, a Walking School Bus is a group of students walking to or from school with adult supervisors. I like to say it is just like riding the bus...minus the bus.

We also hosted a record number of Bike Rodeo safety education events this spring. We reached over 650 students with bike and pedestrian safety education during nine Bike Rodeo events. The information children receive during a Bike Rodeo is so important for them to know now and all throughout life. During a bike rodeo, students learn the knowledge and skills for becoming a smart, safe bike rider; they then get to practice these skills on a supervised obstacle course.

The results from the SRTS Travel Tally collected during the month of May 2014 show that about 14% of students actively commuted (walk, bike, skate or scoot) to and from school this year. This percentage is down from previous years- 16% in 2012-2013 and 22% in 2011-2012. While this is a little discouraging, these results prove that the Travel Tally is not a true representation of student travel in Northeast Iowa. Those of us involved with SRTS efforts in Northeast Iowa know that MORE students are actively commuting to school, not less! For this reason, we decided to begin following the progression of Travel Tally results for a handful of schools that best represent our SRTS work starting with the 2012-2013 Travel Tally. The SRTS Focal Schools comparison results from this year show an increase– which is very encouraging and much more descriptive of what is happening in Northeast Iowa.

The Travel Tally only captures a one-time, three-day snapshot of student travel, but is used to represent travel for the whole school year. While the Travel Tally does give us a basis for evaluation, it does not capture the bigger picture of what is really happening in Northeast Iowa. More students are walking and biking to school, and while it might not be every single day (or on the three days that the Travel Tally was collected), it is happening….and it is happening more often with more students than ever before!

Let's keep our momentum going, Northeast Iowa!

Ashley Christensen
Regional SRTS Liaison

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.

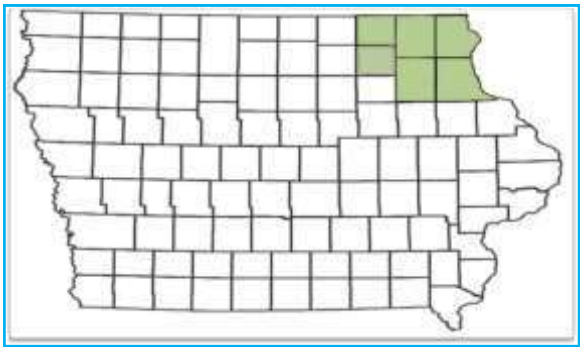
A bike train in Riceville, IA.

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

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.

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



The information covered in this report highlights SRTS history in Northeast Iowa and the results of the SRTS Travel Tally conducted during the 2013-2014 school year in participating schools.

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Safe Routes to School in Northeast Iowa

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.

A Walking School Bus in West Union, IA.

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.

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 in Northeast Iowa 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 Liaison. 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 Liaison 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.

A student's comment on why they like to ride their bike.

2013-2014 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. On the next page, Figures 3 and 4 compare the 2013-2014 SRTS Travel Tally results with those from previous years.

Figure 2. School Districts Participating in the Northeast Iowa Safe Routes to School Travel Tally 2008-2014

Community School District (CSD)	County	'08-'09	'09-'10	'10-'11	'11-'12	'12-'13	'13-'14
Public Schools							
Allamakee CSD*	**Allamakee**	**X**	**X**			**X**	**X**
Central CSD*	**Clayton**	**X**	**X**	**X**	**X**	**X**	**X**
Clayton Ridge CSD	Clayton	X				X	
Decorah CSD*	**Winneshiek**	**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	
North Fayette Valley CSD*- North Fayette	**Fayette**	**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**
Postville CSD*	**Allamakee**				**X**	**X**	**X**
Riceville CSD*	**Howard**	**X**		**X**	**X**	**X**	**X**
South Winneshiek CSD*	**Winneshiek**	**X**	**X**		**X**	**X**	**X**
Starmont CSD	Fayette			X		X	
Turkey Valley CSD	Winneshiek					X	
West Central CSD	Fayette			X	X	X	
Private/Parochial 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**
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 private schools which have participated in the Northeast Iowa Safe Routes to School Travel Tally between 2008-2014.

2013-2014 participating schools denoted by (*), bolded and highlighted in blue.

Historical Comparisons cont.

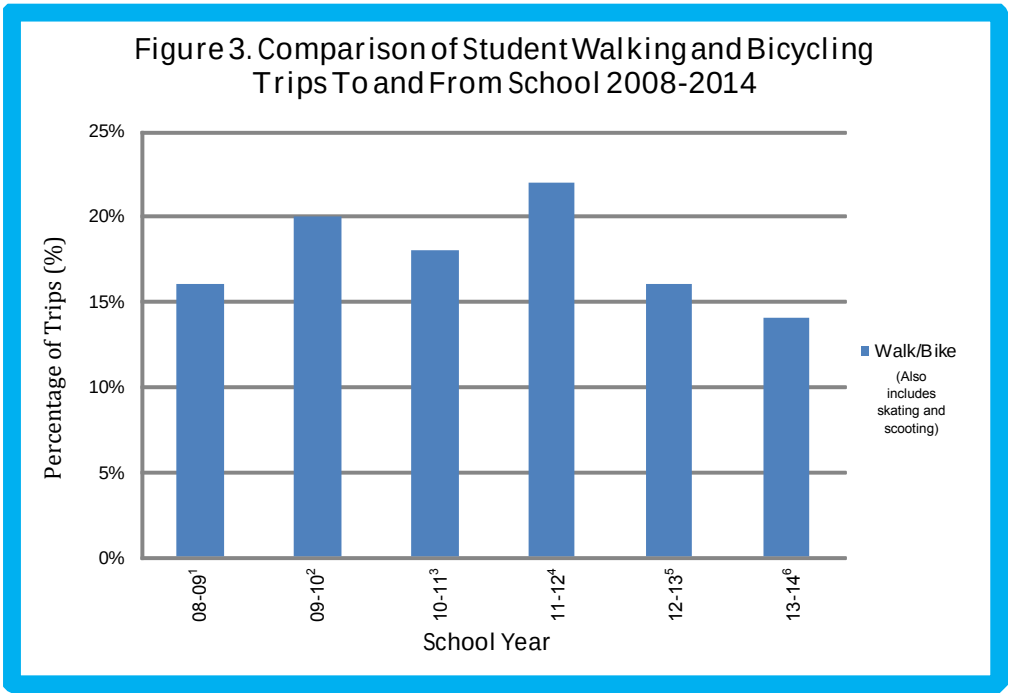

Figure 3. Northeast Iowa's student walking and bicycling results compared from 2008-2009 to present.

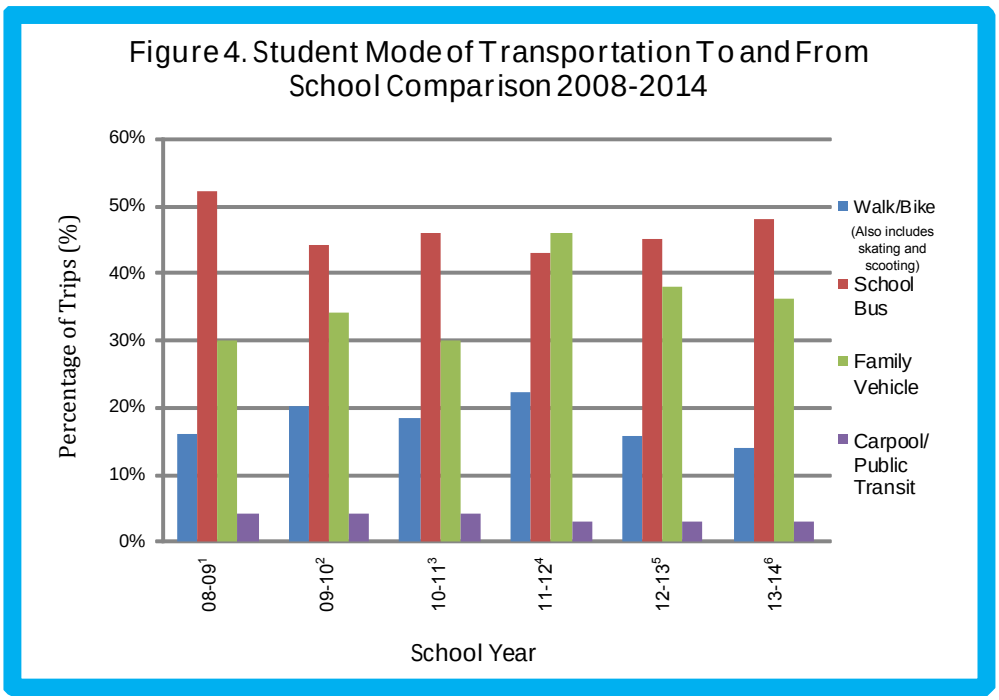

Figure 4. Northeast Iowa's comparison of student walking and bicycling trips to student motor vehicle trips from 2008 to present.

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

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

[3] **2010-2011 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 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 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).

[5] **2013-2014 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)

CSD= Community School District

2013–2014 Information

Data comparison specific to the 2013-2014 Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Travel Tally is presented below. 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.

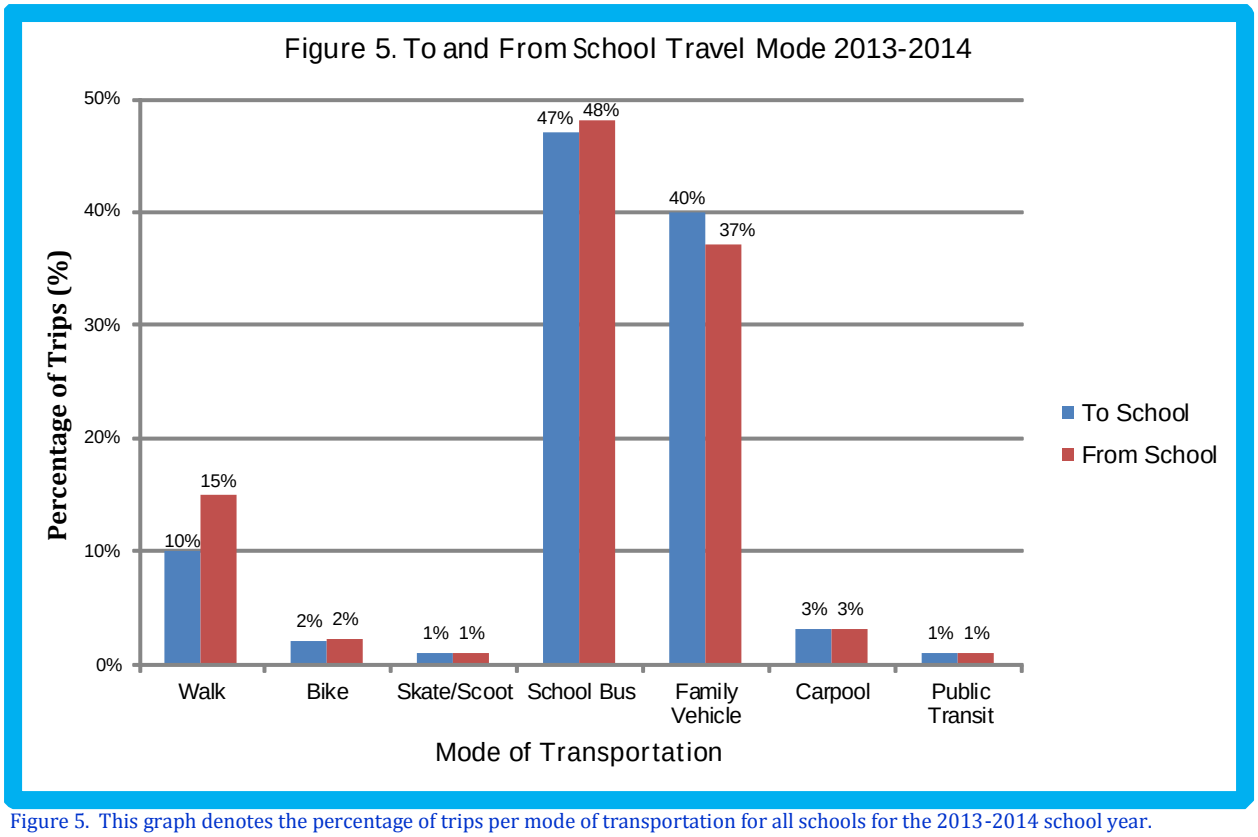

Figure 5. This graph denotes the percentage of trips per mode of transportation for all schools for the 2013-2014 school year.

Walking School Bus in Decorah, IA.

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2013–2014 Information cont.

Figure 6 is the active transportation trips to and from school (walking, bicycling, skating, scooting) compared to trips by school bus, family vehicle and carpool and public transit for the 2013-2014 schools.

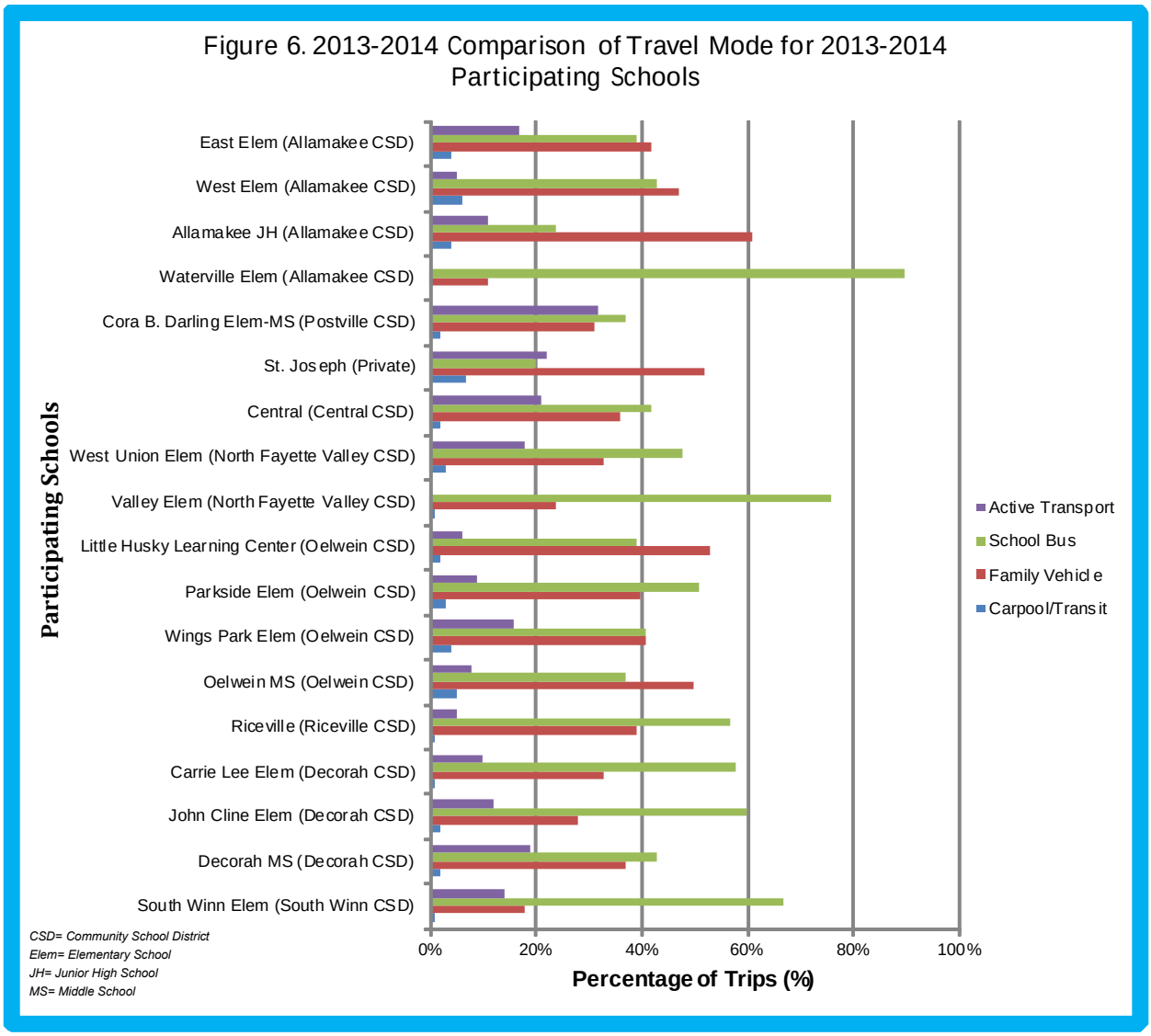


Figure 6. This bar graph compares the percentage of trips students took via active transport (walk, bike, skate and scoot), school bus and family vehicle, and carpool/public transit for each school participating in the 2013-2014 SRTS Travel Tally.

Safe Routes to School Focal Schools Comparison

New to the Northeast Iowa Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Annual Report this year, we will be following the progression of Travel Tally results for a handful of selected schools. Starting with the 2012-2013 school year, we will be comparing the percentage of active transportation trips (walk, bike, skate, scoot) of 11 schools. These schools were selected based on level of engagement in SRTS activities and availability of walk/bike routes leading to the school:

- 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

Walking School Bus in Waukon, IA.

The reason behind selecting these “SRTS Focal Schools” is to give a more realistic description of what is actually happening here in Northeast Iowa. While we have results dating back six years, we are realizing these results are not always a true representation of the number of students actually actively transporting to= and from school. Reasons for this can include: inconsistent participation from schools, inconsistent participation from classroom teachers, school location, high number of rural families, poor weather, the list goes on. By focusing on a small, consistent group of schools that are representative of SRTS work in the region, we will 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.

Safe Routes to School Focal Schools Comparison cont.

Figures 7, 8 and 9 show active transport comparison results of the SRTS Focal Schools 2012-present. Individually, all but two schools show an increase in active transport to school. When combined, 2013-2014 results show an increase in active transport compared to 2012-2013.

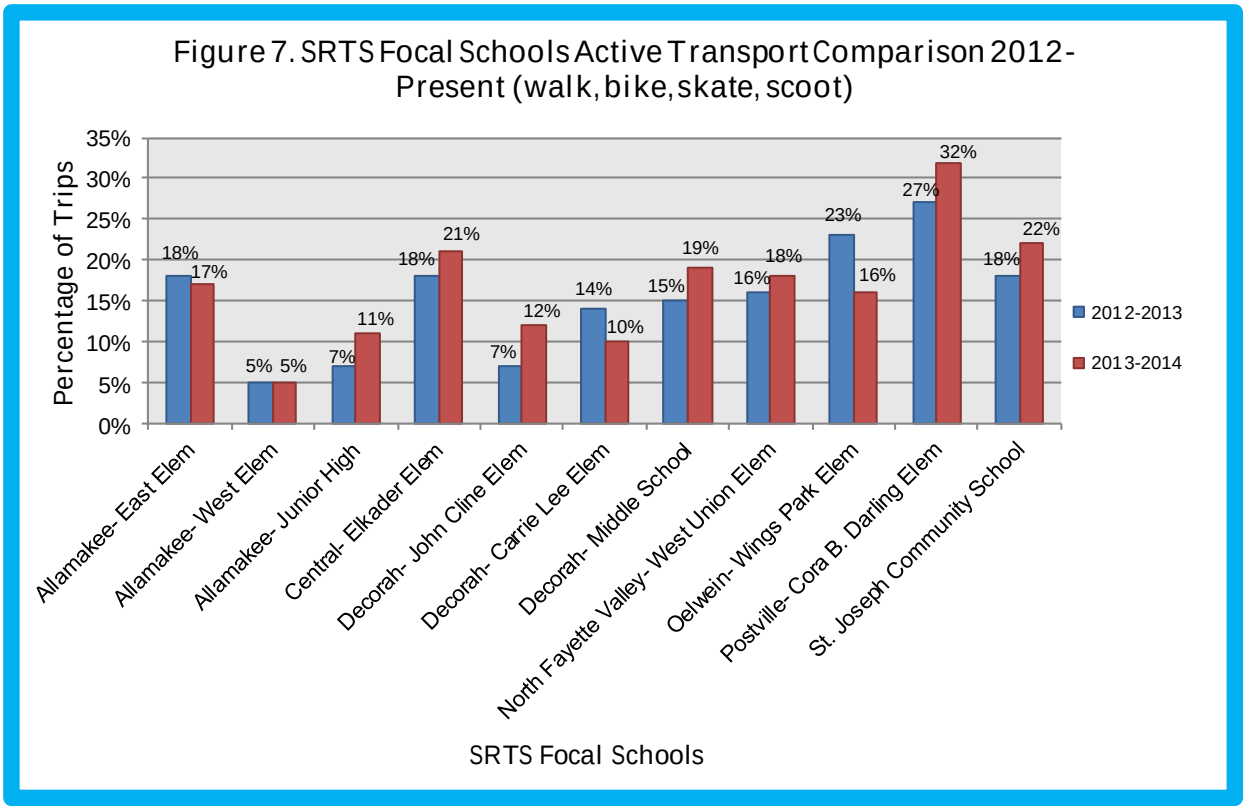


Figure 7. Compares active transport percentages (walk, bike, skate, scoot) of SRTS Focal Schools 2012-present.

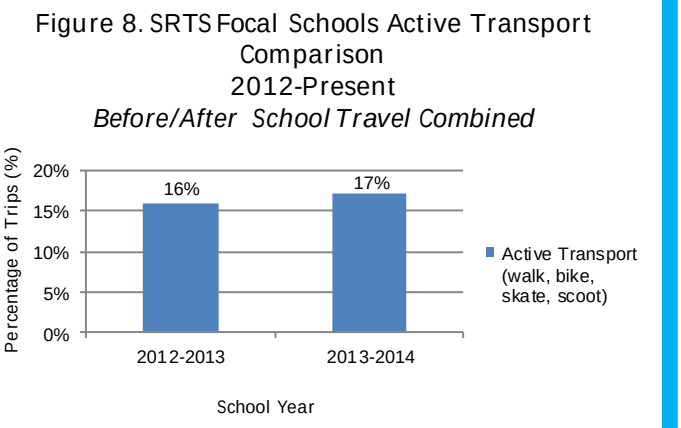


Figure 8. Compares the combined before/after school active transport percentage of the SRTS Focal Schools 2012-present.

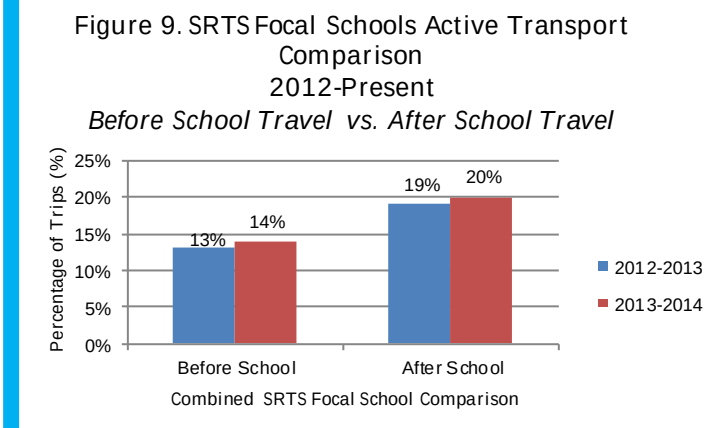


Figure 9. Compares the before school vs. after school active transport percentage of the SRTS Focal Schools 2012-present.

The following pages show the individual Travel Tally results for each participating school during the 2013-2014 school year. Each school's SRTS-related activities are also highlighted.

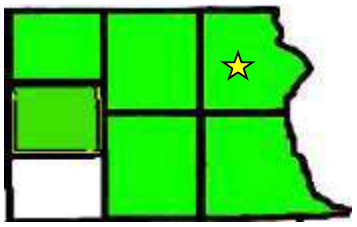
2013-2014 Individual School Summaries

Allamakee County
Allamakee CSD

Allamakee Community School District — Allamakee County

East Elementary School — *Grades 3-6*
Waukon, Iowa

Total District Enrollment: 1212 (Iowa Department of Education, 2014a)
K-8 Enrollment: 743
East Elementary Enrollment: 257
School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Multiple Towns



Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Activities:

- Walking School Buses in Waukon and Waterville
- Fall Fitness Day
- Afternoon fitness celebration for Red Ribbon Week
- Live Healthy Iowa Kids 10 Week Wellness Challenge
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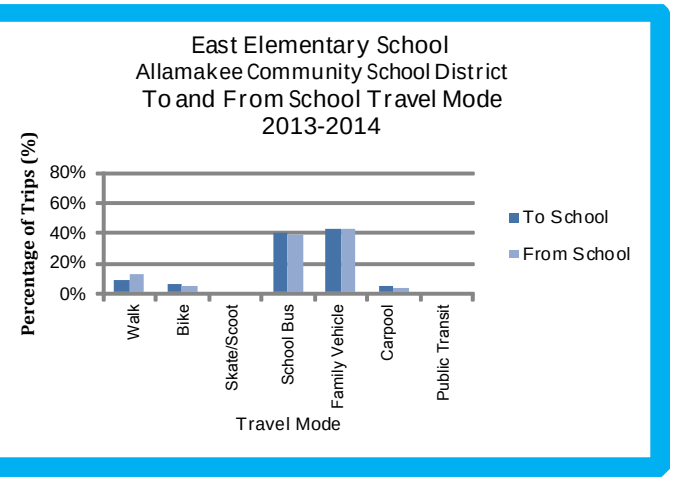
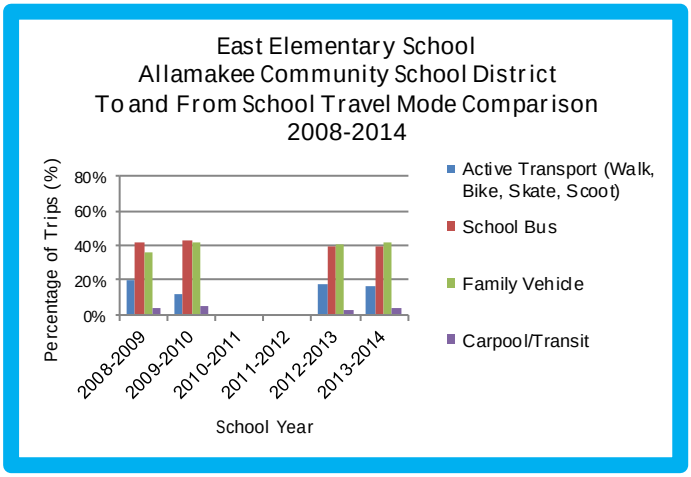
Students participate in a Bike Rodeo in Waukon, IA.





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Allamakee Community School District — Allamakee County

West Elementary School — *Grades PK-2*

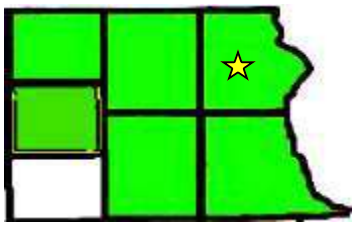
Waukon, Iowa

Total District Enrollment: 1212 (Iowa Department of Education, 2014a)

K-8 Enrollment: 743

West Elementary Enrollment: 254

School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Multiple Towns



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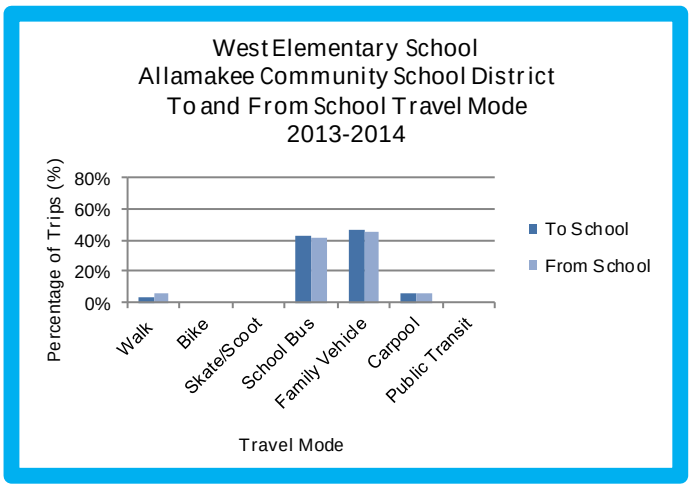

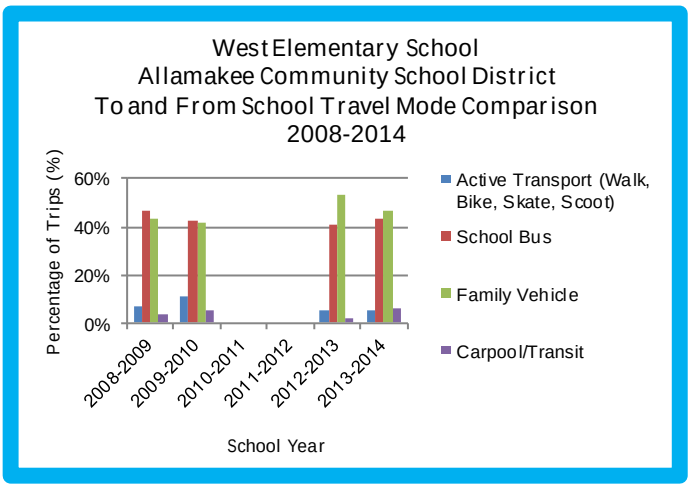

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Allamakee Community School District — Allamakee County

Allamakee Junior High School — *Grades 7-8*

Waukon, Iowa

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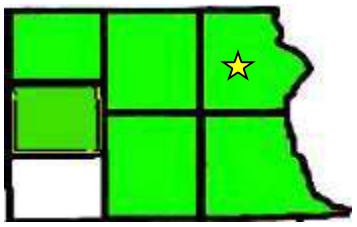
K-8 Enrollment: 743

Allamakee Junior High Enrollment: 159

School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Multiple Towns



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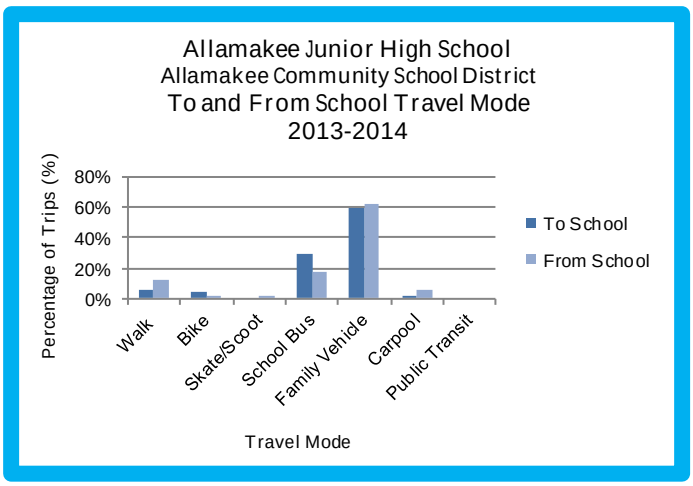

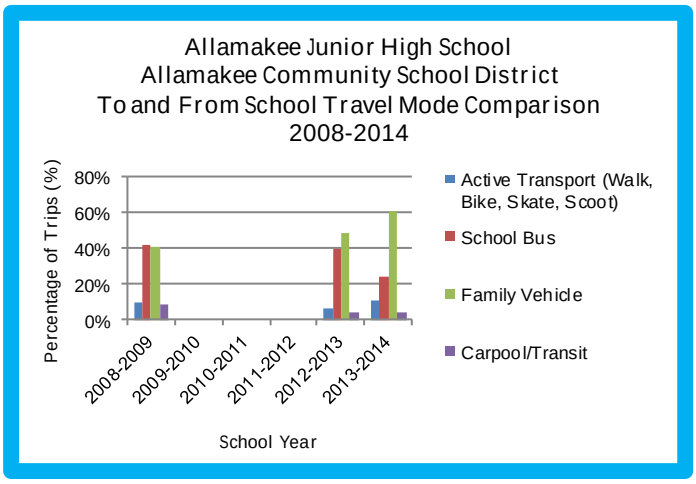

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Allamakee Community School District — Allamakee County

Waterville Elementary School — *Grades 7-8*

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Waterville Elementary Enrollment: 109

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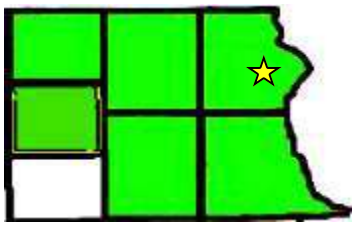

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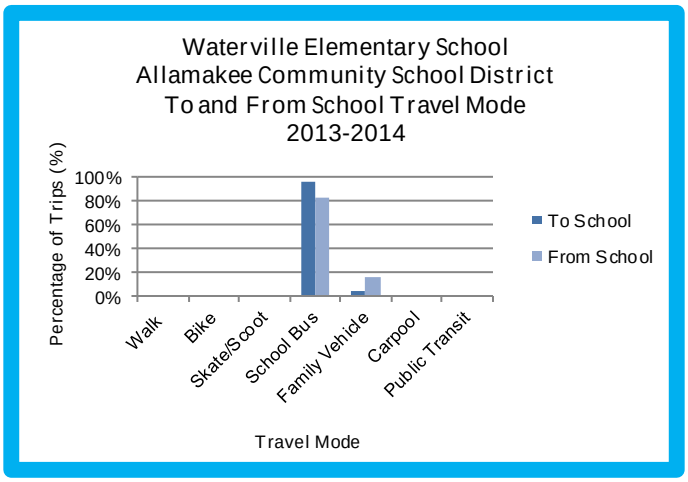
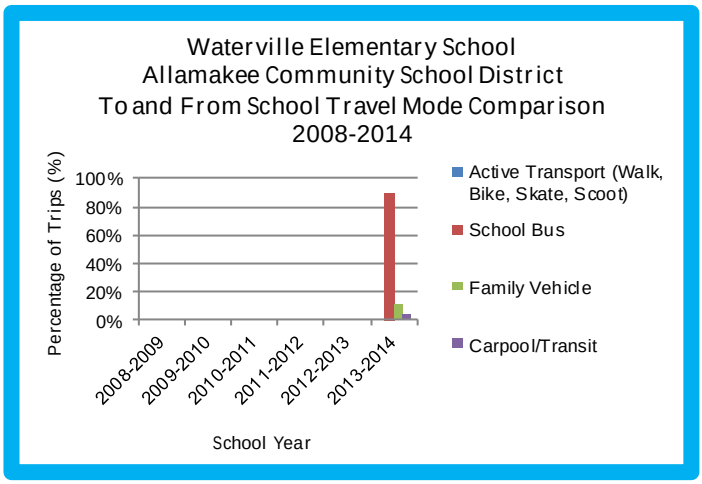
- After school activities: ping-pong, dance and recess
- Bike Rodeo for after school program
- SRTS Community Coalition
- Bike Rack Challenge participant

Walking School Bus in Waterville, IA.





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Allamakee County
Postville CSD

Postville Community School District

Allamakee County

Cora B. Darling Elementary — *Grades K-8*

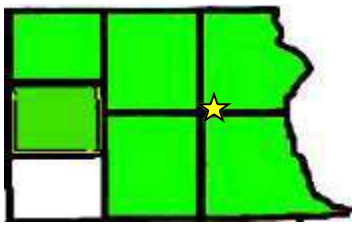
Postville, Iowa

Total District Enrollment: 661 (Iowa Department of Education, 2014a)

K-8 Enrollment: 459

Cora B. Darling Elementary Enrollment: 459

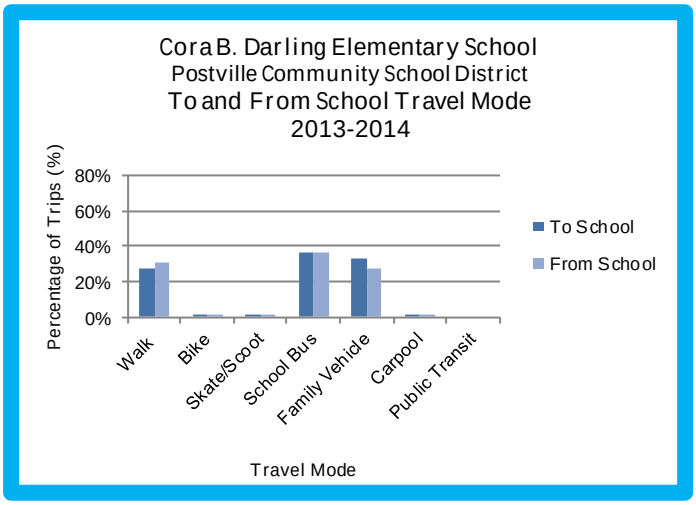
School Profile: Single K-12 Building in Single Town

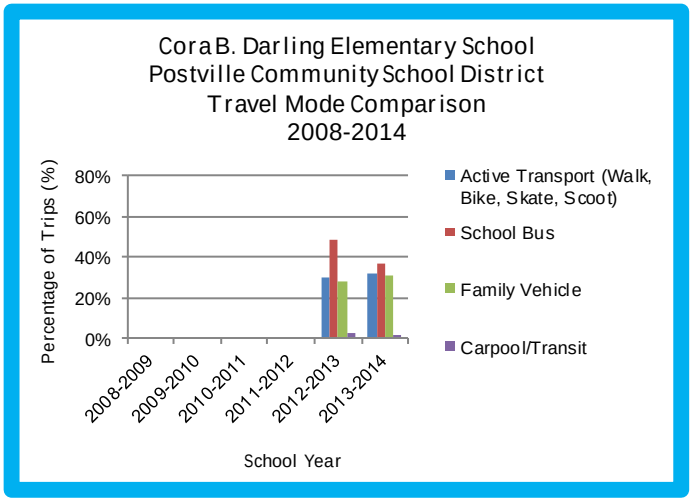


Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Activities:

- After school Mileage Club
- SRTS Community Coalition
- Bike Rodeo during Spring Fling
- New playground equipment
- Live Healthy Iowa Kids 10 Week Wellness Challenge

Bike Rodeo in Postville, IA.





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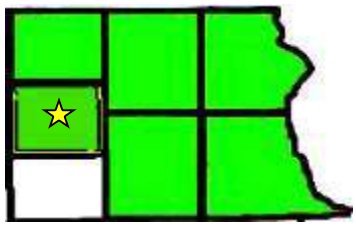
Chickasaw County
St. Joseph Community School

St. Joseph Community School — Chickasaw County

St. Joseph Community School
New Hampton, Iowa
Grades PK-8

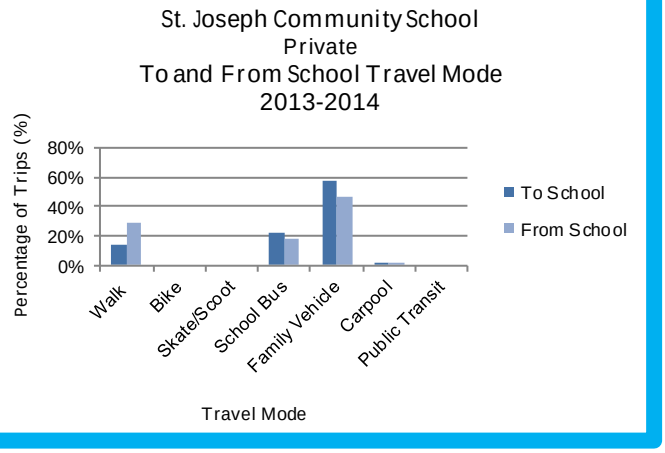
Total District Enrollment: 169 (Iowa Department of Education, 2014b)
K-8 Enrollment: 150
School Profile: Private PK-8 School

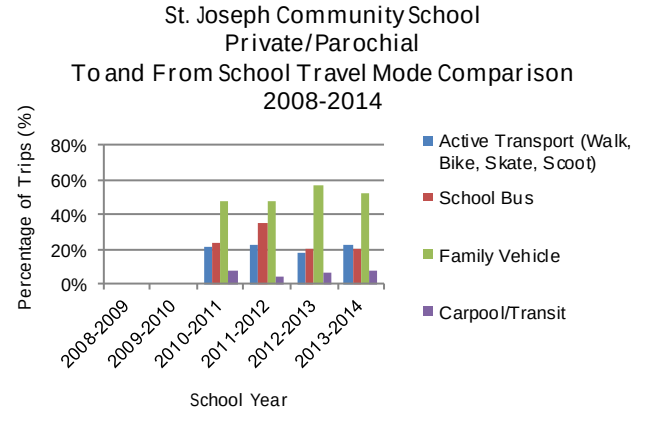


Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Activities

- Mileage Club
- International Walk to School Day
- Live Healthy Iowa Kids 10 Week Wellness Challenge– incorporated into PE program
- Live Healthy Iowa 10 Week Wellness Challenge for staff
- Live Health Iowa Kids Go the Distance Day
- Monthly school-wide fitness activity
- Monthly after school fitness activity
- 20 minute weekly classroom walks
- Bike to School Day

Bike to School Day in New Hampton, IA.





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Clayton County
Central CSD

Central Community School District

Clayton County

Elkader Elementary School *Grades PK-5*

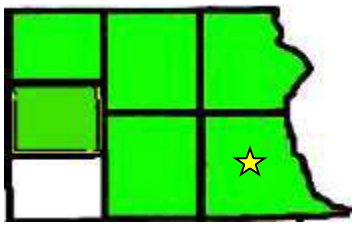
Elkader, Iowa

Total District Enrollment: 490 (Iowa Department of Education, 2014a)

K-8 Enrollment: 319

Elkader Elementary Enrollment: 246

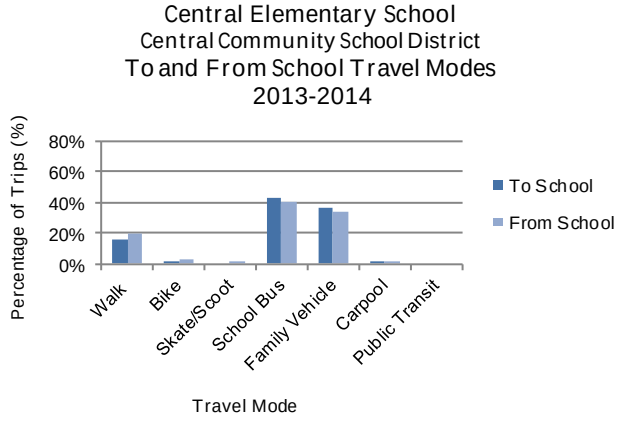
School Profile: Single K-12 Building in Single Town

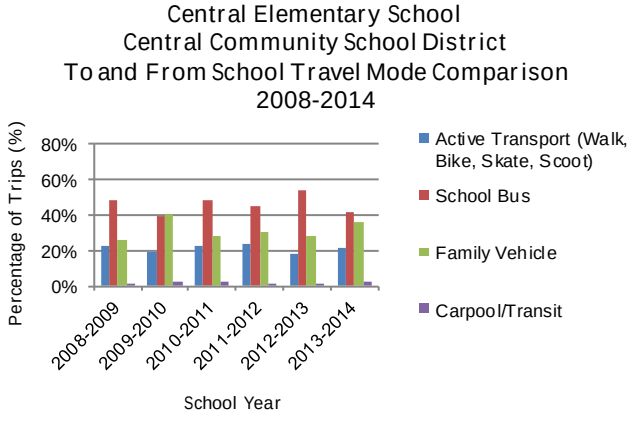


Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Activities:

- International Walk to School Day
- National Bike to School Day
- Healthier US School Challenge Bronze Award
- Bike Safety Education taught in PE courses
- Crossfit Games competition
- Bikes and helmets available for student to use at recess
- Walking School Buses in Elkader
- Mileage Club
- Fuel up to Play 60 grant
- Bike Rodeo

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-K, 3-6*

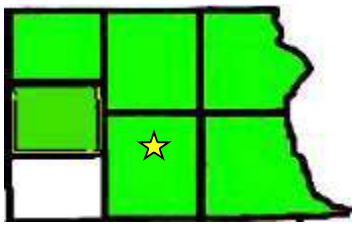
West Union, Iowa

Total District Enrollment: 1254 (Iowa Department of Education, 2014a)

K-8 Enrollment: 788

West Union Elementary Enrollment: 335

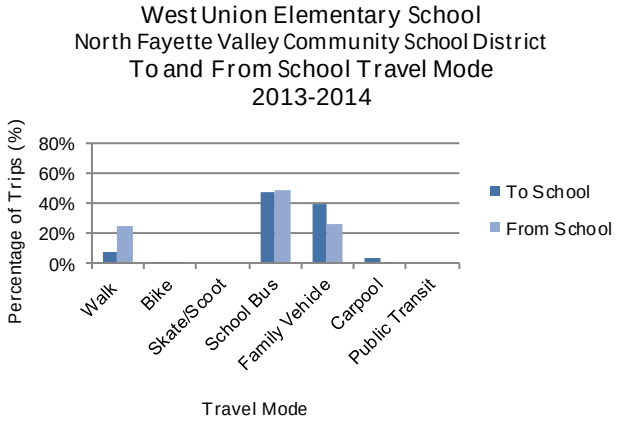
School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Multiple Towns

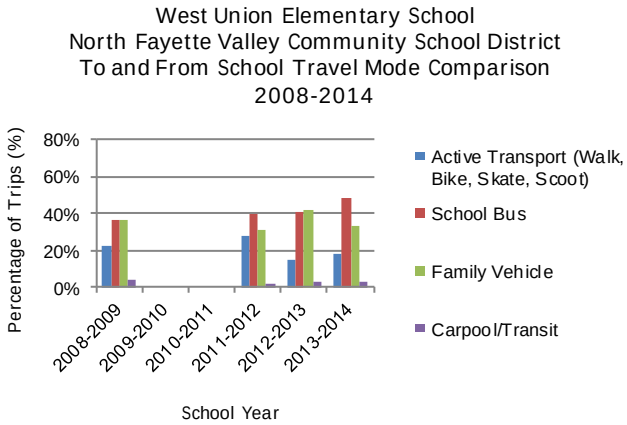


Safe Routes to School Activities:

- Walking School Buses in Clermont, Elkader and West Union
- Bike Rodeo in fall and spring
- SRTS Community Coalition
- Mileage Club
- International Walk to School Day
- Turkey River Recreational Corridor Trail connects to Valley school

Walking School Bus in West Union, IA.





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North Fayette Valley Community School District *Fayette County*

Valley Elementary School *Grades PK-5*

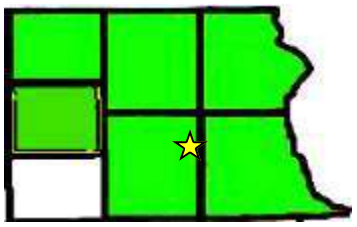
Clermont and Elgin, Iowa

Total District Enrollment: 1254 (Iowa Department of Education, 2014a)

K-8 Enrollment: 788

Valley Elementary Enrollment: 233

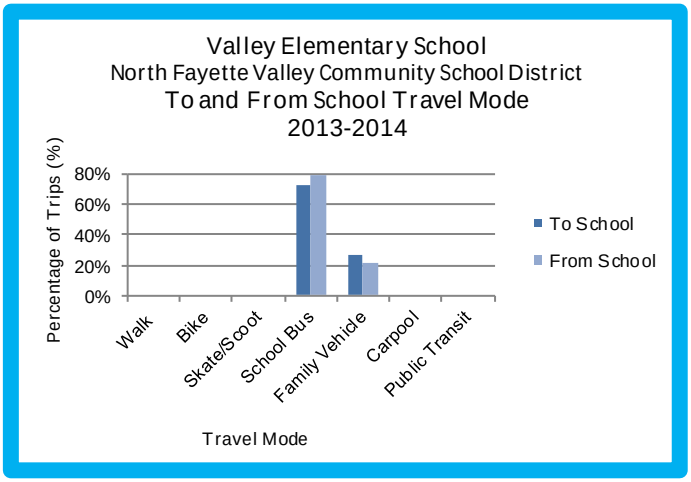
School Profile: Isolated Single K-12 Building

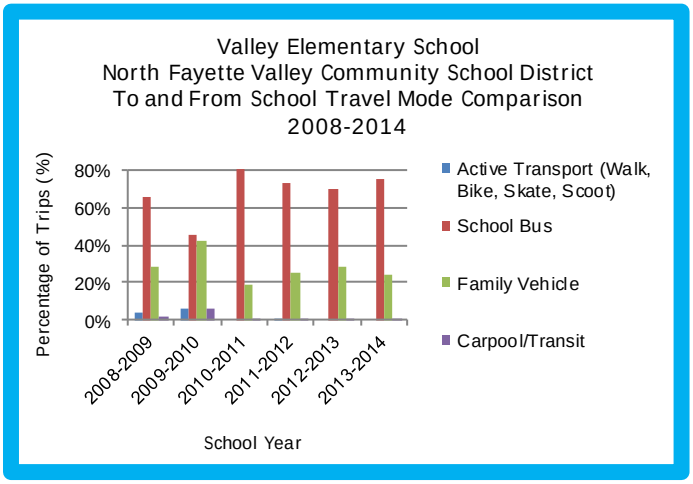


Safe Routes to School Activities:

- Walking School Buses in Clermont, Elkader and West Union
- Bike Rodeo in fall and spring
- SRTS Community Coalition
- Mileage Club
- International Walk to School Day
- Turkey River Recreational Corridor Trail connects to Valley school

Walking School Bus from Clermont, IA.





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Fayette County
Oelwein CSD

Oelwein Community School District

Fayette County

Little Husky Learning Center *Grades PK-K*

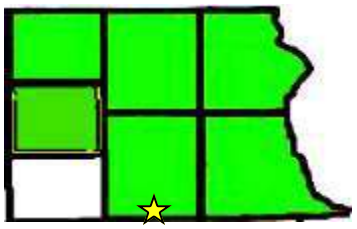
Oelwein, Iowa

Total District Enrollment: 1316 (Iowa Department of Education, 2014a)

K-8 Enrollment: 719

Little Husky Learning Center Enrollment: 185

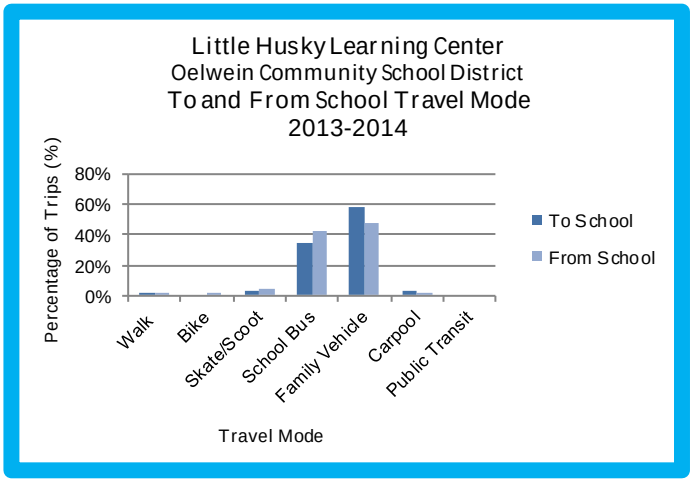
School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Single Town

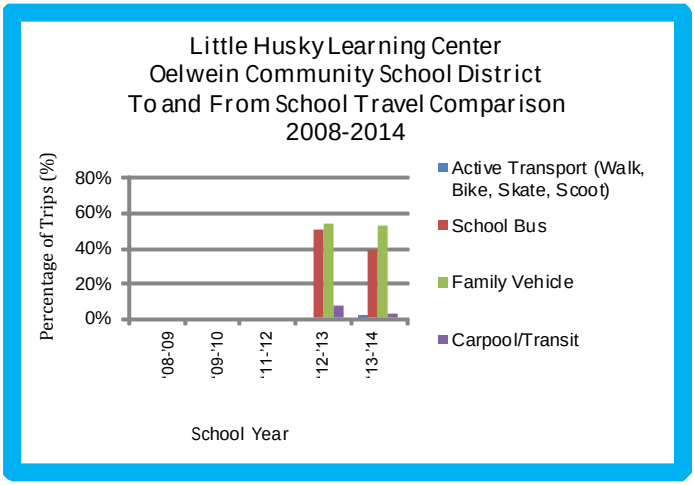


Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Activities:

- Walking School Bus in Oelwein
- Bike Rodeo held during Summer School
- International Walk to School Day
- Spring Safety Fair
- Fitness Fridays at Little Husky Learning Center
- Track and Field Day at Little Husky Learning Center
- Swimming lessons during Summer School
- After school Fitness Camp for 4th grade girls
- Geocaching and artery after school camps
- National Bike to School Day
- Staff wellness activities and wellness center incentives
- SRTS Community Coalition

Bike safety lesson and Bike Blender at Oelwein Story Hour.





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Oelwein Community School District — Fayette County

Parkside Elementary School — *Grades 1*

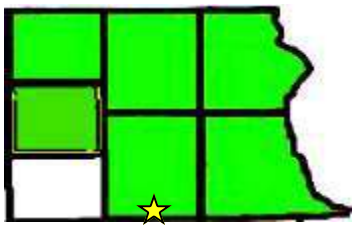
Oelwein, Iowa

Total District Enrollment: 1316 (Iowa Department of Education, 2014a)

K-8 Enrollment: 719

Parkside Elementary Enrollment: 95

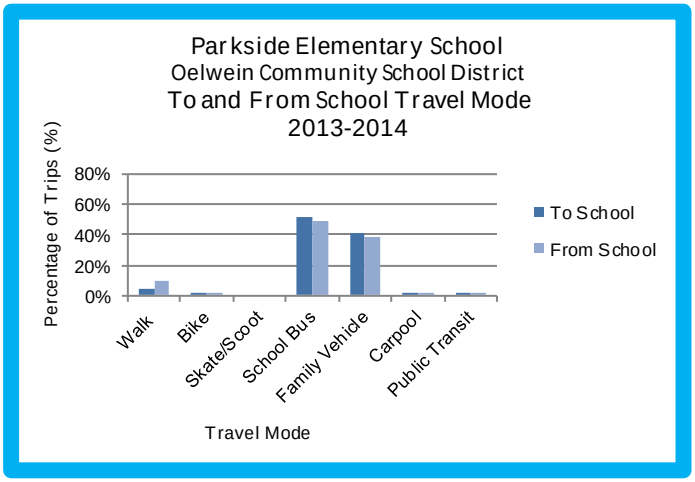
School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Single Town

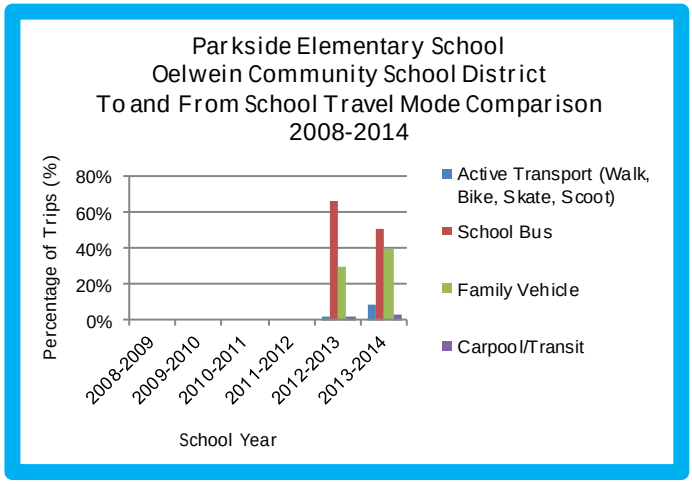


Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Activities:

- Walking School Bus in Oelwein
- Bike Rodeo held during Summer School
- International Walk to School Day
- Spring Safety Fair
- Fitness Fridays at Little Husky Learning Center
- Track and Field Day at Little Husky Learning Center
- Swimming lessons during Summer School
- After school Fitness Camp for 4th grade girls
- Geocaching and artery after school camps
- National Bike to School Day
- Staff wellness activities and wellness center incentives
- SRTS Community Coalition

Active classroom lesson in Oelwein, IA.





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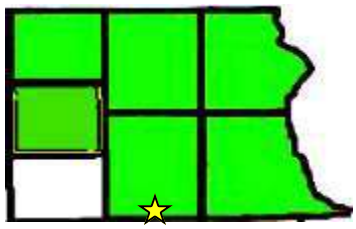
Oelwein Community School District — Fayette County

Wings Park Elementary School
Oelwein, Iowa

Grades 2-5

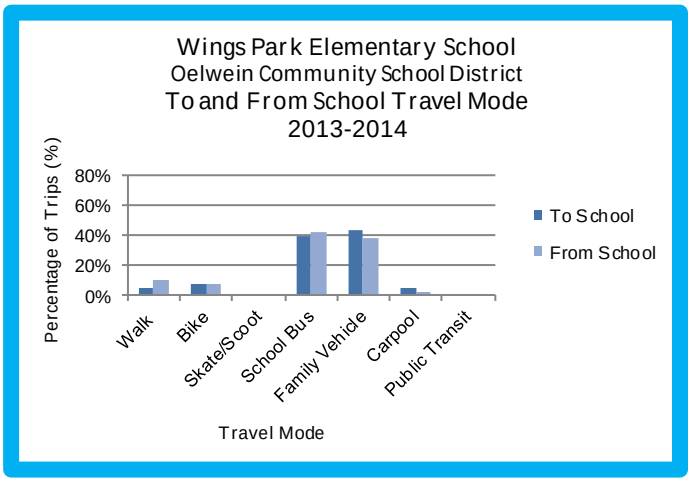


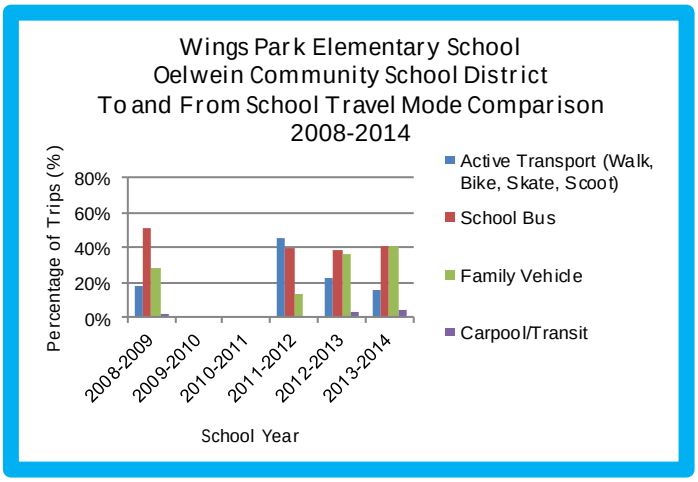
Total District Enrollment: 1316 (Iowa Department of Education, 2013a)
K-8 Enrollment: 719
Wings Park Elementary Enrollment: 354
School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Single Town

Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Activities:

- Walking School Bus in Oelwein
- Bike Rodeo held during Summer School
- International Walk to School Day
- Spring Safety Fair
- Fitness Fridays at Little Husky Learning Center
- Track and Field Day at Little Husky Learning Center
- Swimming lessons during Summer School
- After school Fitness Camp for 4th grade girls
- Geocaching and artery after school camps
- National Bike to School Day
- Staff wellness activities and wellness center incentives
- 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

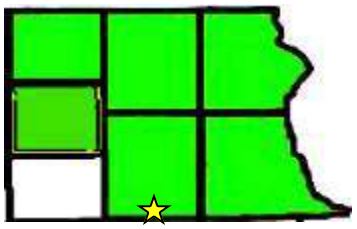
Oelwein, Iowa

Total District Enrollment: 1316 (Iowa Department of Education, 2013a)

K-8 Enrollment: 719

Oelwein Middle School Enrollment: 455

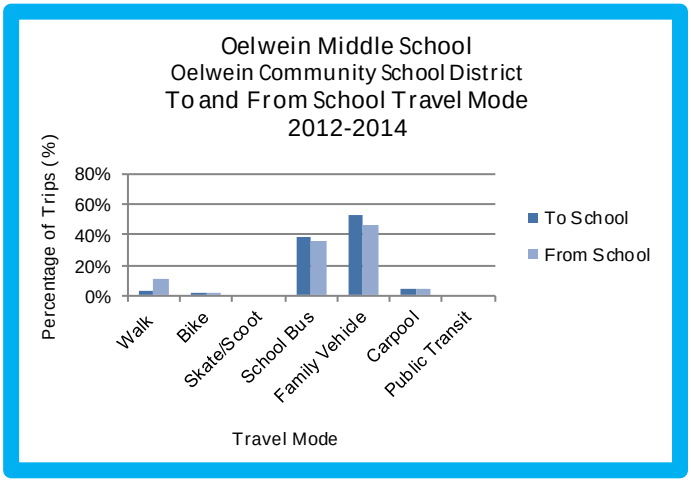
School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Single Town

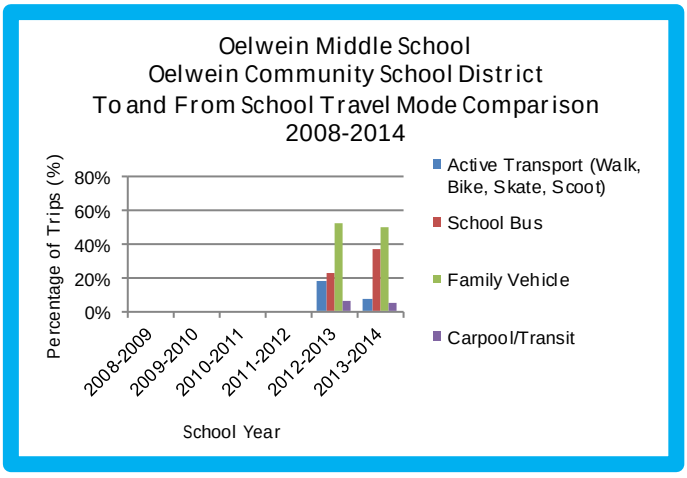


Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Activities:

- Walking School Bus in Oelwein
- Bike Rodeo held during Summer School
- International Walk to School Day
- Spring Safety Fair
- Fitness Fridays at Little Husky Learning Center
- Track and Field Day at Little Husky Learning Center
- Swimming lessons during Summer School
- After school Fitness Camp for 4th grade girls
- Geocaching and artery after school camps
- National Bike to School Day
- Staff wellness activities and wellness center incentives

Walking School Bus with Elementary Principal in Oelwein, IA.





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Howard County
Riceville CSD

Riceville Community School District

Howard County

Riceville Elementary School *Grades K-8*

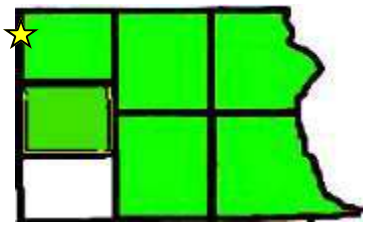
Riceville, Iowa

Total District Enrollment: 307 (Iowa Department of Education, 2014a)

K-8 Enrollment: 114

Riceville Elementary Enrollment: 114

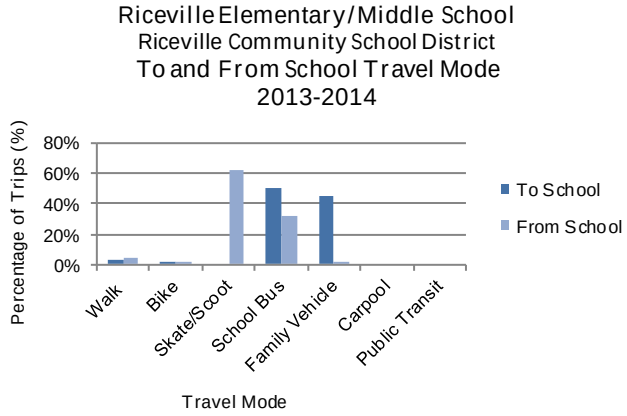
School Profile: Single K-12 Building in Single Town

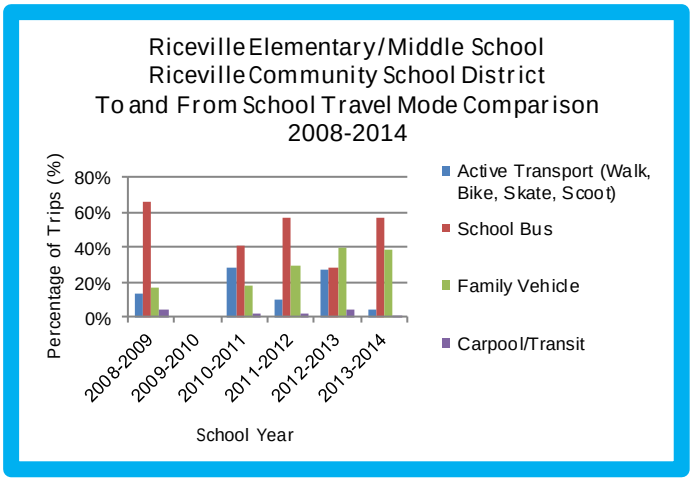


Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Activities:

- Walking Wednesdays– monthly safe drop-off and weekly walks around school
- International Walk to School Day
- National Bike to School Day
- Wildcat Trail surrounding school
- Bike Rodeo
- SRTS Community Coalition
- Live Healthy Iowa Go the Distance Day

Walking Wednesday monthly safe drop-off in Riceville, IA.





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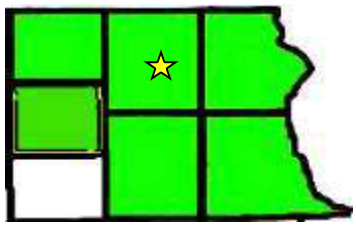
Winneshiek County
Decorah CSD

Decorah Community School District

Winneshiek County

Carrie Lee Elementary School
Decorah, Iowa

Grades 3-4

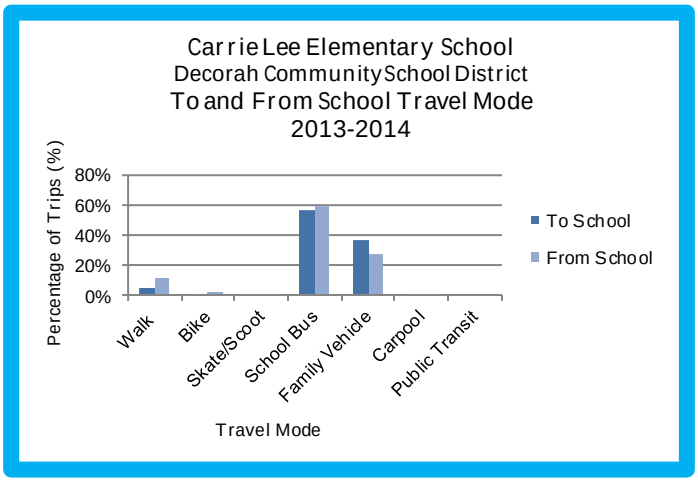


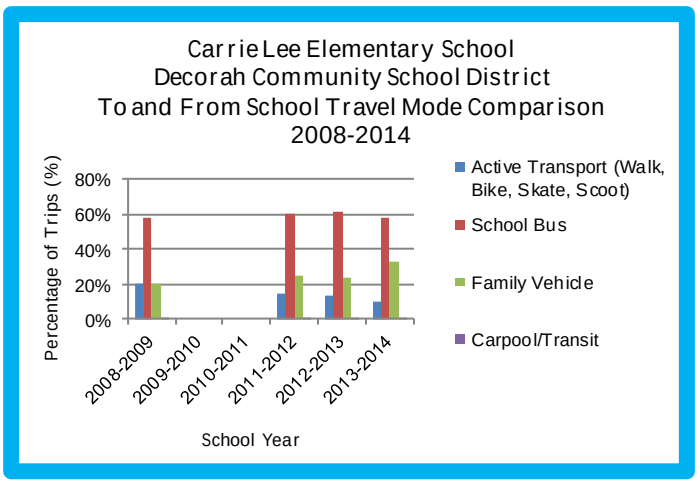
Total District Enrollment: 1774 (Iowa Department of Education, 2014a)
K-8 Enrollment: 1056
Carrie Lee Elementary Enrollment: 251
School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Single Town

Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Activities:

- Walking School Buses in Decorah
- Mileage Club at Carrie Lee Elementary School
- International Walk to School Day
- Walked to celebrate National Bike to School Day
- 4th grade activity monitors
- Walk across Iowa activity
- Exercise balls in 1st grade classroom
- Staff 5k

Walking School Bus in Decorah, IA.





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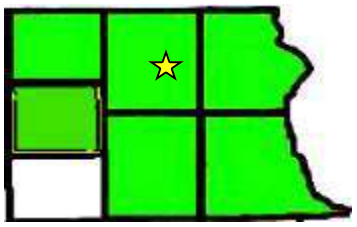
Decorah Community School District — Winneshiek County

John Cline Elementary School
Decorah, Iowa

Grades PK-2

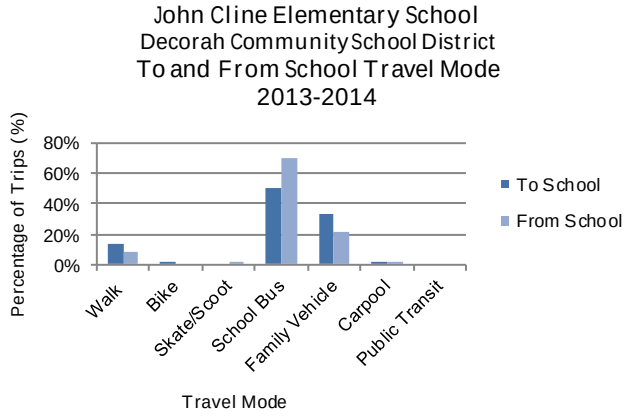


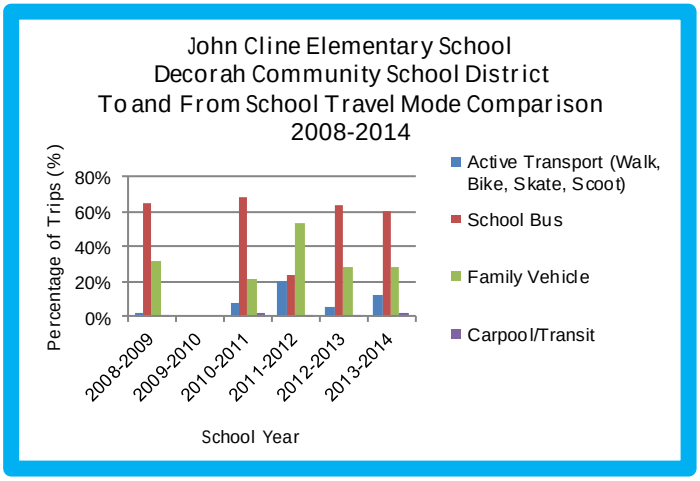
Total District Enrollment: 1774 (Iowa Department of Education, 2014a)
K-8 Enrollment: 1056
John Cline Elementary Enrollment: 315
School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Single Town

Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Activities:

- Walking School Buses in Decorah
- Mileage Club at Carrie Lee Elementary School
- International Walk to School Day
- Walked to celebrate National Bike to School Day
- 4th grade activity monitors
- Walk across Iowa activity
- Exercise balls in 1st grade classroom
- Staff 5k

Field Day in Decorah, IA.





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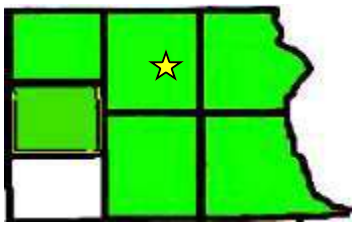
Decorah Community School District — Winneshiek County

Decorah Middle School — *Grades 5-8*

Decorah, Iowa



Total District Enrollment: 1774 (Iowa Department of Education, 2014a)

K-8 Enrollment: 1056

Decorah Middle School Enrollment: 455

School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Single Town

Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Activities:

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- Mileage Club at Carrie Lee Elementary School
- International Walk to School Day
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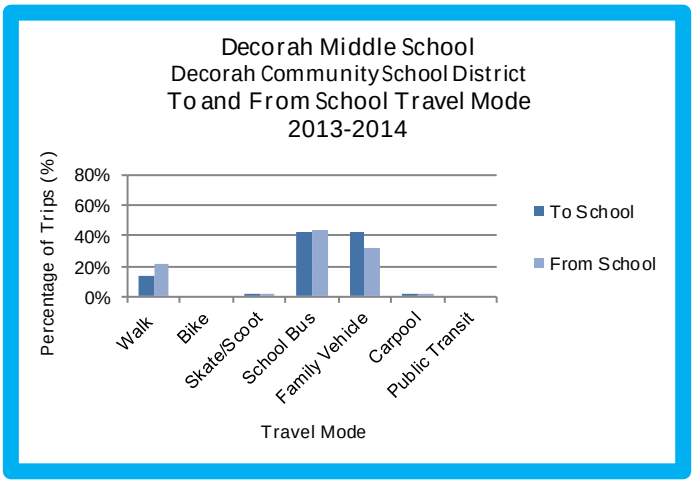
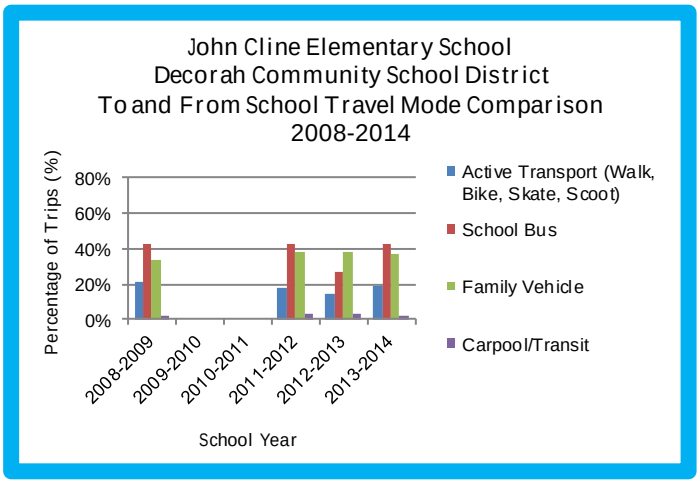
Walk to School Day in Decorah, IA.





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Winneshiek County
South Winneshiek CSD

South Winneshiek Community School District Winneshiek County

South Winneshiek Elementary School *Grades PK-5*

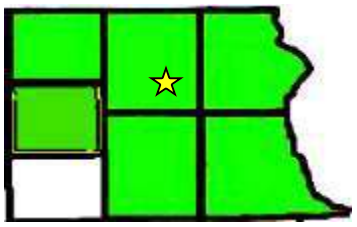
Ossian, Iowa

Total District Enrollment: 595 (Iowa Department of Education, 2014a)

K-8 Enrollment: 284

South Winneshiek Elementary Enrollment: 237

School Profile: Multiple Buildings in Multiple Towns



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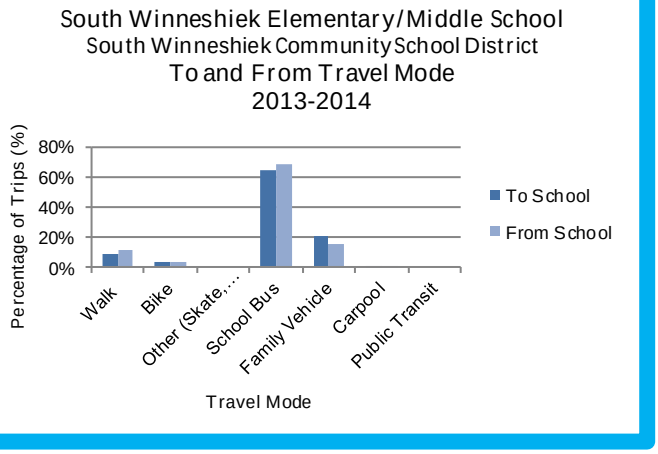
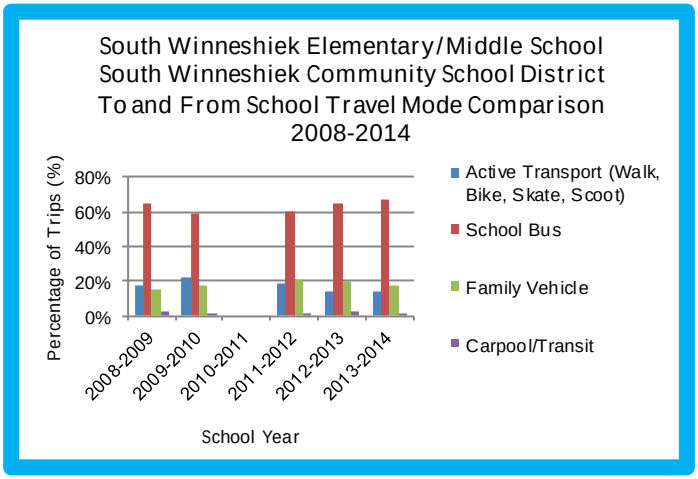
- Mileage Club
- International Walk to School Day

Walk to School Day in Ossian, IA.





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