

Vienna Elementary PTA Safe Routes to School Committee Sidewalk, Walking, and Biking Survey

Dear Parent or Caregiver,

This short survey is being conducted to seek state funding for safety improvements such as new sidewalks that will allow Vienna Elementary children to have safer routes to school and to allow the PTA to work with the Town of Vienna to identify safety issues for our students. Whether or not your child is a walker your participation in this survey is appreciated.

Please complete only one survey per household and return it to school in your child's "Wednesday Folder" by September 15th.

If you have more than one child, for questions that ask for an average number of trips taken per month please report the combined total for all of your children.

If you have any questions about the survey please contact Sean McCall from the Safe Routes to School Committee at seanmccall@promas.com or (703) 938-3616.

Please answer all questions in the following section.

1. How many school age children reside in your household?	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Other ____
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2. How many children in your household attend Vienna Elementary?	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Other ____
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3. How many children in your household are too young to attend school?	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Other ____
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4. On what street block is your home?	<hr style="border: 0.5px solid black;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">(Example: 400 block of Glyndon St NE)</p>
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Check here if you reside outside of the walking area for Vienna Elementary and if so, please skip to question 10.

5. On average, how often does your child walk to Vienna Elementary in the morning?	<input type="checkbox"/> Never <input type="checkbox"/> On rare occasions <input type="checkbox"/> 1-5 times a month <input type="checkbox"/> 6-10 times a month <input type="checkbox"/> 11-15 times a month <input type="checkbox"/> 16 or more times a month
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<p>6. On average, how often does your child bike to Vienna Elementary in the morning?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Never <input type="checkbox"/> On rare occasions <input type="checkbox"/> 1-5 times a month <input type="checkbox"/> 6-10 times a month <input type="checkbox"/> 11-15 times a month <input type="checkbox"/> 16 or more times a month
<p>7. On average, how often does your child walk home after school in the afternoon?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Never <input type="checkbox"/> On rare occasions <input type="checkbox"/> 1-5 times a month <input type="checkbox"/> 6-10 times a month <input type="checkbox"/> 11-15 times a month <input type="checkbox"/> 16 or more times a month
<p>8. On average, how often does your child bike home after school in the afternoon?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Never <input type="checkbox"/> On rare occasions <input type="checkbox"/> 1-5 times a month <input type="checkbox"/> 6-10 times a month <input type="checkbox"/> 11-15 times a month <input type="checkbox"/> 16 or more times a month
<p>9. Please check all issues that negatively affect your decision to allow your children to walk or bike to or from school.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> My child already walks or bikes to school <input type="checkbox"/> Distance <input type="checkbox"/> Convenience <input type="checkbox"/> Time <input type="checkbox"/> Before or after school activities <input type="checkbox"/> Speed of traffic along route <input type="checkbox"/> Amount of traffic along route <input type="checkbox"/> No adult to accompany children <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of sidewalks or pathways <input type="checkbox"/> Safety of intersections and crossings <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of crossing guards <input type="checkbox"/> Violence or crime <input type="checkbox"/> Weather or climate

Please answer all questions in the following section.

10. Are there missing sidewalks or other safety improvements that can be addressed to make walking or biking between your home and Vienna Elementary safer?

- No – the route to Vienna Elementary is safe
- No – our walking and biking habits would not change even if there was a safer route
- Yes (please elaborate in the space below or in the comments at the end of the survey)

11. On average, how often does your child walk or bike between your home and the Community Center, the Community Center sports fields, or Vienna Elementary after school hours?

- Never
- 1-5 times a month
- 6-10 times a month
- 11-15 times a month
- 16 or more times a month

12. Are there missing sidewalks or other safety improvements that would make walking or biking between your home and nearby destinations safer? This can include locations such as stores, parks, or neighbor's homes that you currently walk or bike to or would be more likely to walk or bike to if the safety of the route was improved.

- No – we have safe routes to nearby destinations
- No – we would not walk or bike to nearby destinations even if there were safer routes
- Yes – we are missing sidewalks or have other safety concerns (please elaborate below)

13. What is your position on the long term need for sidewalks in town? Please check all that apply. You may add any comments in the space below.

- Sidewalks are needed on both sides of every street with rare exception such as a dead end street with no destination other than homes.
- Sidewalks are needed on at least one side of every street with rare exception such as a dead end street with no destination other than homes.
- Sidewalks are needed on at least one side of every street where students are in the county designated walking area for Vienna Elementary.
- Sidewalks are only needed on a case by case basis.
- A simple majority of land owners in a block adjacent to any sidewalk section should be able to veto its construction even if the town owns the land where the sidewalk will be constructed.

14. Would you allow you child to participate if the PTA sponsored more walking or biking related events? Please check all that apply.

A “bike bus” is a group of children and supervising adults that would leave from a meeting point and travel directly to the school. Minimum adult to child ratios would be required.

All events are required to meet FCPS guidelines and must be approved by the school administration.

No

Chaperoned biking (“bike bus”) from nearby neighborhoods.

More walk or bike to school days. This is currently only done once in the spring.

Other suggestion (please specify)

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. Please add any additional comments below. If you would like to serve on the PTA Safe Routes to School Committee, to chaperon walk or bike to school days, or to discuss any issues with a committee member please contact Sean McCall at seanmccall@promas.com or (703) 938–3616.