

[PEQUOT LAKES]

SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

A plan to make walking and biking to school a safe, fun activity

Infrastructure *Engineering projects that improve streets and routes*

INFRASTRUCTURE RECOMMENDATIONS

Goal #1: County Road 11 Trail Development

Priority: High

Recommendation: Continue to seek funding and feasibility for the development of a trail along Crow Wing County Road 11 that would connect the communities of Pequot Lakes, and Breezy Point along with Eagleview Elementary school which sits between the two cities.



Programs *Equity + Education + Encouragement + Engagement + Evaluation*



INCREASED LAW ENFORCEMENT PRESENCE

What: This creates another layer of safety for walkers and bikers who may be intimidated by heavy traffic flow.

Who: School staff, Law Enforcement, and Volunteers.

How: This is an inclusive strategy to get more students walking and biking to and from school when and where it is safe to do so by supporting safety



WALKING SCHOOL BUS PROGRAM

What: Consider developing a walking school bus program that would include local PTA and school staff.

Who: School staff, PTA, and volunteers.

How: This program would seek to get more kids outside walking before school and encourage them to be more active with the potential of encouraging more kids to walk to school.



Safe and Strategic Drop Sites

What: When walking and biking isn't an option, consider identifying safe and strategic "Drop sites" for students to walk/bike to/from before and after school where they would then be picked up/dropped off by a school bus.

Who: School Staff, Volunteers

How: The location of Eagleview Elementary school poses unique barriers to walking and biking for students. Drop sites could potentially increase the likelihood of more students becoming more active.

Get Involved

Want to help make it safer, easier, and more comfortable to walk and bike to school in the Pequot Lakes School District? Contact your school principal or SRTS lead to learn how to get involved.

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Learn more about Safe Routes to School at: www.dot.state.mn.us/saferoutes/

