



Walking School Bus Program

*Pine Street Elementary, Spartanburg SC
2008-2011*

Program Timeline

- Grant Funded - 2008
- Interest Gauged - 2008
- Parent Volunteers Identified and Trained - 2008
- Program Implemented - 2008
- Program Discontinued - 2011

Pine Street Elementary

- Adjacent to walkable neighborhoods
- Across the street from a popular Rail Trail
- Street crossing guard and traffic light
- Very good school support of SRTS initiatives
- Began with 4-6 children and 2 parent volunteers
- Planned to happen once a week

Pine Street Elementary

- *Maintained volunteers for the first year*
- *Decreased frequency to once a month in the first year*
- *Program continued with one primary parent volunteer*
- *Program d/c after that parent's child moved on to middle school*

Sustainability

Pine Street Elementary

- This school found that annual Walk to School and Bike To School events are sustainable for them.
- Children are encouraged to bike or walk to school on Wednesdays with individual parent supervision.

How can a school sustain a WSB program?

- Conducive built environment
- Administration support
- Parent support
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