

Safety To and From School

<https://tinyurl.com/dysartsafety>

IF YOUR CHILD WALKS TO SCHOOL:

- Discuss the safest route to and from school.
- Teach children to stop at the curb or edge of the road before crossing the street.
- Look and listen for traffic to the left, then to the right and then to the left again before crossing the street.
- When crossing, children should walk, not run, and should keep scanning for turning vehicles while crossing. Always be aware of your surroundings. Obey crossing guards.
- Talk about why it is safer to cross at school crosswalks. The bold yellow-striped school crosswalks make crosswalks more visible to drivers and help make the intersection safer.
- Never go between parked cars to cross the street

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

Submit a Safe Routes to School Issue through your mobile device or tablet

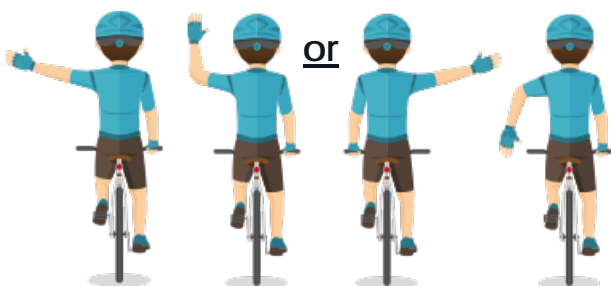
<https://tinyurl.com/srtsissue>

Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) Safe Routes to School Program

www.azmag.gov/srts

Traffic Laws Regarding Crosswalks

<https://tinyurl.com/lawscrosswalk>



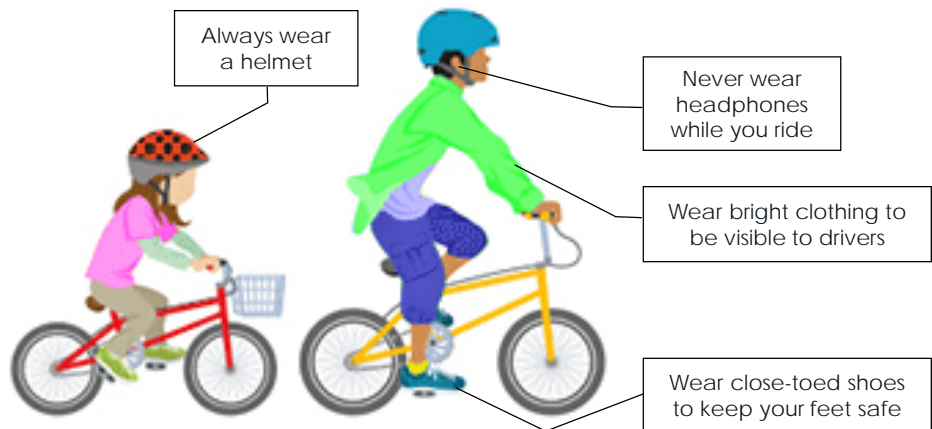
◀ LEFT TURN

▶ RIGHT TURN

■ STOP

IF YOUR CHILD RIDES A BICYCLE TO SCHOOL:

- Discuss the safest route to and from school.
- Ensure your child wears a properly fitted bicycle helmet.
- Teach children to stop for traffic lights and stop signs, and also to yield to pedestrians at crosswalks and on sidewalks.
- Ride on the sidewalk when you can. If not, stay in the bike lane. When cycling with friends, ride in single file instead of riding next to one another and perhaps extending out into traffic.
- Avoid all trick and double riding, such as a second child riding on the handlebars.
- If objects need to be carried, they should be placed in a backpack or a basket, allowing both hands to remain on the handlebars at all times. The backpack should not be so heavy that it affects the balance of the rider.
- Dismount and walk the bicycle through crosswalks.



<p>Ride With Traffic</p> <p>Ride on the right in the same direction as other vehicles. Go with the flow – not against it.</p>	<p>Inform</p> <p>Use the hand signals shown and eye contact to make sure that drivers know what you're up to.</p>	<p>See and Be Seen</p> <p>Use your eyes AND ears. Remember, just because you can see a driver doesn't mean the driver can see you.</p>	<p>Obey all Traffic Rules</p> <p>A bicycle is a vehicle and you're the driver. Obey all traffic signs, signals, and lane markings.</p>

