

Esko Safe Routes to School Kick-off Meeting

When: Thursday, April 23, 2009

Time: 7:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Location: Esko School District Board Room

Esko's Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Program planning kicks-off with a visit from a national SRTS expert, Mark Plotz from the National Center for Bicycling and Walking. Mark will observe the morning drop-off with community members and then facilitate discussion on finding possible solutions and setting goals for Esko's SRTS.



- 7:45 a.m.-8:15 a.m. 1. Observe with Mark the morning drop-off outside Winterquist Elementary
Meet at the District Office

- 8:20a.m.-8:45 a.m. 2. Welcome and Introductions and Quick overview of SRTS
Aaron welcomes everyone introduces Mark and Ellen and asks attendees to introduce themselves. Mark and Ellen will briefly present background on the national and Minnesota SRTS programs.

- 8:45 a.m.-9:00 a.m. 3. Discussion on observed and perceived safety concerns/issues/barriers
Mark leads discussion on identified safety issues seen this morning and common concerns.

- 9:00 a.m.- 9:30 a.m. 4. Possible solutions
Mark leads discussion with a focus on low-cost solutions, walking school bus/ bike trains, block captains, etc.

- 9:30 a.m.- 10:00 a.m. 5. Develop goals for Esko SRTS
Mark facilitates discussion and development of some initial goals for Esko's SRTS.

- 10:00a.m.-10:30 a.m. 6. What is next?
Ellen reviews the general SRTS planning process with attendees and the next step tasks are assigned for Parent survey and Classroom student tally distribution.