

New Jersey Walking School Bus



What is a Walking School Bus?

A Walking School Bus is a group of children accompanied by an adult, who walk to school along a planned route. Children are added to the walking bus along the route to school.

Why set up a Walking School Bus?

Walking contributes to overall good health and fitness and students who walk to school arrive alert and ready to learn. A walking school bus adds a fun and social aspect to the trip to school as well as flexibility for the parents, who can share the walking duties on different days.

How can the New Jersey Walking School Bus app help our family walk more often to school?

The app makes it easy for parents to find other families interested in walking, create and plan walks to and from school and assign parent leaders to walk with the children. In app messaging allows for easy communication. Need additional motivation? The app calculates distance in miles and CO2 emissions reduced for each walker and group!

Where do I get the app?

The app is free and available for both Android and iOS, just search for the New Jersey Walking School Bus App in the app store.

Can anyone sign up to join a group?

Only parents with a child who will be part of the walking school bus can participate.

How do I know my child arrived at school?

The designated group leader for the walk simply presses the "finish walk" button in the app and a notification is sent to the parents of children on the walk!

How do I get started?

Download the app and check out the information and demo video available on the Walking School Bus page at gmtma.org.



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