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**Ready, Set, Bike to School on National Bike to School Day:  
Wednesday, May 4th**

SUISUN CITY, CA - Solano County elementary and middle schools are encouraged to participate in National Bike to School Day, Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

As part of National Bike Month in May, this one-day event supported locally by the Solano Safe Routes to School program, encourages students and families to 'think outside the car' by biking to school instead of getting to school by car.

"Biking to school is a healthy and fun way to start the day and also helps reduce traffic around schools and air pollution emissions", said Rio Vista Mayor Norm Richardson, Solano Transportation Authority Board Chair.

"Studies show that physically active kids learn better and are more likely to become healthy adults", he said. "These are all great reasons to put your foot on the bike pedal instead of the car pedal!" he added.

Schools must register before Monday, April 25, by contacting the Solano Safe Routes to School (SR2S) program at solanosr2sinfo@sta.ca.gov or (707) 399-3222.

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**SOLANO SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL**

Safe Routes to School (SR2S) in Solano County is a program of the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) and is run in partnership with Solano County Public Health. The program was launched in 2008, with an aim to increase the number of students that walk, bike, rideshare or take transit to and from school and supports these activities with educational events throughout the year. There are substantial benefits to increasing active transportation to and from school including improving students' health and well-being plus reducing both air pollution and traffic congestion.

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