

Jefferson Road Elementary School

Bike to School Day

Wednesday, May 9, 2018



On **Wednesday, May 9** we'll join over 2,600 schools across the country to promote health, community, and safety by biking to school. Parents, plan to bike to school with your children on May 9!

If you live near Jefferson Road Elementary School, ride from home! Practice riding from your own house or gather your neighbors for a group ride. Bike racks and friends will greet you at school. PM Kindergarteners are encouraged to join the AM ride or ride to school in the afternoon.

If you live further away, or even if you don't, join our group ride! Meet in the parking lot of the Pittsford Community Library and ride with friends to school!

More details:

- Students must be supervised by a parent/guardian until school starts at 8:30 am.
- Helmets are required for all student riders. Need a helmet? Please email us and we can help.
- For the group ride, meet at **7:45 am** in the parking lot of the Pittsford Community Library, 24 State St. You are welcome to leave your car there until after you return from school. The group ride is 0.7 miles, and a map of the route is provided on the reverse side.
- Bike racks are available at school. **Please bring a lock** for your child's bike if you plan to leave it there for the school day.
- Please read the safety information on the next page with your child before the event.
- Don't have a bike? R Community Bikes (226 Hudson Ave) and Dream Bikes (1060 University Ave) are two organizations that provide used bikes and also benefit our local community.
- We want this event to be inclusive. If your child has special considerations, please reach out to us. And if your family feels more comfortable walking, go for it.
- **Our rain date is Friday, May 11!** A decision will be made the evening of May 8, so check your e-blast.

Any questions about Bike to School Day? Contact:

Brooke Fossey and Renee Stetzer at walkbikepittsford@rocville.com

Please return the permission slip below to the *front office* by Tuesday, May 1

Yes, my child, _____ will bike to school with a grown-up on May 9!

- ☐ We'll ride from home.
- ☐ We'll join the group ride from the Pittsford Community Library.

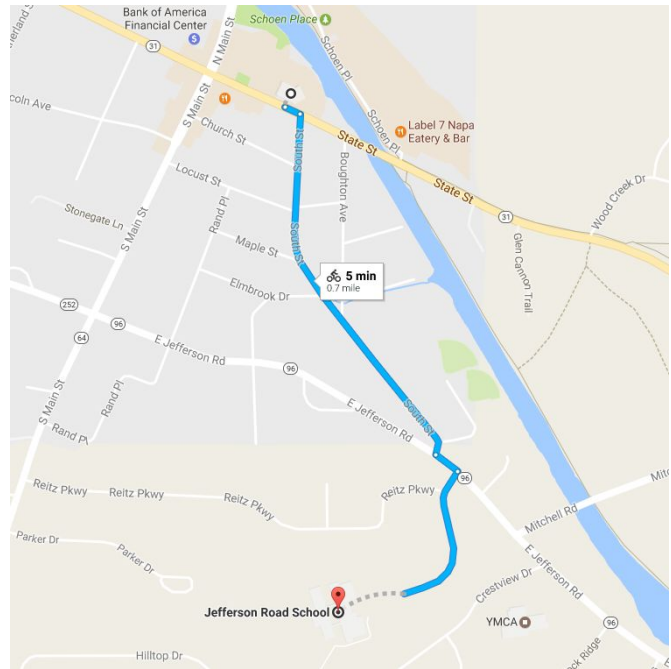
Parent/Guardian: _____

My child will be riding under the supervision of an adult other than me (name):

Group ride route

We will start at the **Pittsford Community Library (24 State St)** at **7:45 am** and will ride along South St to Jefferson Road Elementary School.

We will cross South St and E. Jefferson Rd and will have adults and crossing guards at these major crossings, as well as all other side street crossings along the route to help alert drivers and help children cross safely.



Biking Safety Tips:

- Always wear a bike helmet
- BE SEEN! Wear bright-colored clothes or wear reflective gear
- Before riding check your bike for safety (air in tires, brakes, mechanics, etc.)
- Watch out for cars and trucks at every driveway and intersection on your ride to school. Look for drivers in parked cars. They may be getting ready to move.
- Be predictable – ride in a straight line, not in and out of cars
- Keep both hands on the handlebars
- Stop before crossing the street, entering a road or turning
- Obey traffic signs, signals, and any crossing guards

Walking Safety Tips:

- Young children should always walk with an adult
- When you are near the street, don't push, shove, or chase each other
- BE SEEN! Wear bright-colored clothes or wear reflective gear
- Watch out for cars and trucks at every driveway and intersection on your walk to school. Look for drivers in parked cars. They may be getting ready to move.
- Cross the street safely:
 - Stop at the curb or edge of the street
 - Look left, right, left and behind you and in front of you for traffic
 - Wait until no traffic is coming and begin crossing
 - Keep looking for traffic until you have finished crossing
 - Walk, don't run, across the street
- Obey traffic signs, signals, and any adult crossing guards

